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TOWN CLERK OF MENDON, 1926-1966  
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TOWN CLERK 1966-1971

A COLLECTION OF MENDON TOWN REPORTS  
1857-1967  
(FOURTEEN BOUND VOLUMES)











## REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

1938.

## DOGS LICENSED IN 1938.

116 Males at \$2.00 each .....	\$232 00	
22 Females at \$5.00 each .....	110 00	
32 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each .....	64 00	
2 Kennel licenses at \$25.00 each .....	50 00	
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		\$456 00
Less Clerk's fees, 172 licenses at 20c		34 40
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Cash paid to Town Treasurer as per		
Monthly return .....		\$421 60
4 Licenses transferred from other towns to Mendon.		

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM  
JANUARY 1, 1938 TO DECEMBER 31, 1938.

Series 1	Resident Citizen Fishing	60	\$2 00	\$120 00
2	Resident Citizen Hunting	28	2 00	56 00
3	Resident Citizen Sporting	29	3 25	94 25
4	Resident Citizen Minor			
	and Female Fishing	25	1 25	31 25
6	Resident Citizen Trapping	1	5 25	5 25
7	Resident Citizen Sporting			
	Free	8		
8	Special non-resident			
	Fishing	1	1 50	1 50
10	Non-resident Citizen			
	Fishing	1	5 25	5 25
12	Non-resident Citizen			
	Sporting	1	15 25	15 25
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				\$328 75
	Fees retained by Clerk	146	25	36 50
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Amount paid Division of Fisheries				
and Game as per Monthly report				\$292 25

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1938.

Date of Birth 1938	Name of Child	Parents with Maiden Name of Mother
Feb. 3	Frederick Harvey	Edward and Helen Berg
Feb. 19	Edwin George Bodwell	Arthur G. and Pearl Day
Mar. 6	Raymond Arthur Miller, Jr.	Raymond and Viola Esner
Mar. 26	Joan Esther Lundvall	John and Phoebe M. Griggs
Mar. 30	Doris Clair Bartlett	Robert and Alice Lamothe
Apr. 22	Joyce Beatrice Taft	George K. and Lois Lawrence
Apr. 30	Frank Ernest Halsing	Carl A. and Doris Kempton
Aug. 27	Sandra Marion Chapman	Ralph and Marion Davis
Oct. 9	Gail Judith Dudley	Silas H. and Dorcas M. Barrows
Oct. 13	Marilyn Annette Johnson	Herbert and Eva Dalrymple
Nov. 9	Edward Douglas Barnes	Daniel K. and Viola M. Nelson
Nov. 20	Judith Lynn Miller Phipps	Howard and Alberta Kearsley
Nov. 29	Louise Edwina Lamothe	Joseph and Edwina Tetreault
Dec. 7	Chas. Clifford Entwistle, Jr.	Charles C. and Mildred Burns
Dec. 11	Norma Alice Phipps	Fred R. and Ernestine Knox
Dec. 24	Carol Noella Brownly	Albert and Emma Hatch

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1938.

Date of Marriage 1938	Place of Marriage	Names	Residence
Jan. 1	Uxbridge, Mass.	Edmund Yanski	Mendon, Mass.
Jan. 1	Mendon, Mass.	Mildred E. (Goodwin) Ballou	Mendon, Mass.
Apr. 23	Hopedale, Mass.	Vernon A. Barrows	Mendon, Mass.
May 15	Woonsocket, R. I.	Eleanor Frances Driscoll	Mendon, Mass.
June 11	Hopedale, Mass.	Charles Clifford Entwistle	Mendon, Mass.
July 24	Hopedale, Mass.	Mildred Agnes Burns	Hopedale, Mass.
Aug. 4	Woburn, Mass.	Michael Koweluck	Millville, Mass.
Aug. 6	Salem, N. H.	Ruth E. Hogarth	Mendon, Mass.
Sept. 10	Milford, Mass.	Arthur A. Sabatinelli	Mendon, Mass.
Sept. 24	Hopedale, Mass.	Louise A. Davenport	Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 1	Medway, Mass.	Raymond C. Dudley	Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 1	Uxbridge, Mass.	Martha E. Thompson	Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 12	Uxbridge, Mass.	Albert H. Jones	Foxboro, Mass.
Oct. 15	Mendon, Mass.	Marie V. Perron	Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 29	Uxbridge, Mass.	Norman I. Rogers	Mendon, Mass.
Nov. 11	Milford, Mass.	Dorothy E. Brown	Watertown, Mass.
Nov. 20	Milford, Mass.	Francis E. Kennelly	Milford, Mass.
Nov. 24	Medway, Mass.	Mildred A. Auty	Mendon, Mass.
Nov. 26	Hopedale, Mass.	Joseph L. C. Vezina	Harrisville, R. I.
		Olive V. Plouffe	Mendon, Mass.
		Russell H. Perron	Mendon, Mass.
		Dorothy E. Dowling	Franklin, Mass.
		Frank Yanski	Mendon, Mass.
		Marie G. Berard	Mendon, Mass.
		Edwin A. Gaudes	Manchester, N. H.
		Mildred E. Trask	Mendon, Mass.
		Gilbert J. Cromie	Andover, Mass.
		Helen L. Pickard	Mendon, Mass.
		Glen O. Wagner	Mendon, Mass.
		Violet A. Blanchard	Uxbridge, Mass.
		Harold R. Dunbar	Mendon, Mass.
		Violet M. Tracy	Mendon, Mass.
		Kenneth F. Gardner	Mendon, Mass.
		Beulah Godfrey	Milford, Mass.
		Ernest K. Mellen	Mendon, Mass.
		Josephine M. Palazzola	West Medway, Mass.
		Ralph W. Coffin, Jr.	Mendon, Mass.
		Estella M. Draper	Hopedale, Mass.



## DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1938.

Date of Death 1938	Name	Y	Age M	D	Cause of Death
Jan. 14	Israel Bousquet	82	8	17	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mar. 1	Henry Wood Gaskill	71	1	15	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mar. 3	Ada B. Daniels	65	9	26	Coronary thrombosis
Mar. 15	Florence Darling	70	8	13	Intestinal obstruction
Mar. 26	Bauke Vander Sluis	76	10	5	Broncho-pneumonia
Mar. 31	George B. Cromb	75	..	18	Coronary Thrombosis
Apr. 12	Henry E. Dunbar	52	11	14	Pulmonary tuberculosis
June 29	Margaret Bullard	73	..	24	Carcinoma of Colon
July 22	Anna M. Miles	26	11	18	Hemorrhage from carotid arteries
July 22	Dorothy E. Miles	5	10	28	Hemorrhage from lacerated throat
July 22	Beverly J. Miles	3	11	22	Hemorrhage from lacerated throat
July 23	Robert C. Miles	7	3	29	Hemorrhage from lacerated throat
Aug. 13	Charles E. Lawrence	79	..	28	Chronic myocarditis
Aug. 28	Nils J. Carlstrom	74	2	29	Pulmonary tuberculosis
Sept. 14	Joanne Mainville	..	8	..	Tetany
Sept. 24	Edward F. Blood	72	..	21	Epidermoid carcinoma of bladder
Oct. 3	Victor T. Lundvall	70	6	1	Bronchial asthma
Dec. 4	Emily Bartlett	74	5	22	Angina Pectoris

NOTICE

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Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the Town Clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete.

Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after the birth in his house shall cause complete notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town in which such child is born. Parents should give this their prompt attention as it is very important and necessary for complete record.

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## REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED.

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Your attention is called to the provisions of Section 36 and 55 of Chapter 207 of the General Laws relating to marriages solemnized out of this state, which are as follows:

"Section 29 of Chapter 151 of the Revised Laws: If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth who return to dwell here they shall, within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage, including the facts relative to marriages, which are required by law, and for neglect thereof shall forfeit ten dollars."

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs three months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's office on or before April 1, 1939.

I take this opportunity in wishing the Townspeople much prosperity during the year 1939.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1939.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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The Treasurer of the Town of Mendon submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1938.

The Treasurer debits himself with receiving the following sums:—

Cash balance Jan. 1, 1938 .....	\$896 45
County Treasurer, Dog License Fees ....	322 33
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 5900 .....	430 00
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 5900 .....	430 00
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 5886 .....	251 08
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 5886 .....	179 46
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 6176 .....	1,600 00
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 6176 .....	1,100 00
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 5633 .....	730 15
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 5633 .....	596 59
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 3146 .....	5,337 49
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 6474 .....	500 00
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 6474 .....	970 00
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract, 6402 .....	192 25

County Treasurer, Div. of Highways,	
Contract, 6402 .....	192 25
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes	23,500 00
Payment on Tax Titles .....	519 67
Licenses .....	122 00
Other Receipts .....	1 00
Town Clerk, Dog License Fees .....	421 60
State Treasurer, School Fund, Part II	2,466 72
Raymond Barrows, Town Hall Rent ....	303 00
State Treasurer, Temporary Aid and	
Transportation .....	3,886 94
State Treasurer, Chap. 500, Highway	
Fund .....	1,100 00
Town of Upton, Public Welfare .....	234 95
Town of Milford, Public Welfare .....	230 82
Town of Uxbridge, Public Welfare .....	90 00
Town of Hopedale, Old Age Assistance	40 00
Town of Medway, Old Age Assistance	193 83
Town of Northbridge, Public Welfare	67 20
State Treasurer, Income Tax .....	4,800 21
State Treasurer, Income Tax, Acts of	
1936 .....	229 91
State Treasurer, Corporation Tax .....	1,565 79
State Treasurer, Burial of Indigent	
Person .....	40 00
State Treasurer, Forestry Dept. ....	50 00
State Treasurer, Aid to Industrial	
Schools .....	66 27
Federal Emergency Relief Fund .....	15 85
State Treasurer, Inspection of Animals	60 00
State Treasurer, Dept. of Public	
Health .....	131 43
State Treasurer, Emergency Flood	
Fund .....	12,700 00
State Treasurer, Old Age Assistance	761 34
City of Boston, School Dept. ....	40 20
State Treasurer, High School Tuition	707 14

State Treasurer, Veterans' Exemption	33	11
State Treasurer, Tuition of Children ....	207	83
State Treasurer, Superintendent of Schools .....	773	33
Fees from Hay Scales .....	4	60
Fees from Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	6	10
Verena Daley, Library Fines .....	7	52
State Treasurer, Aid to Dependent Children .....	456	67
Road Machinery Reserve Fund .....	719	00
Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant .....	337	96
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant .....	5,248	57
A. P. Dalton, Collector of Taxes.		
Property Taxes, 1936 .....	\$3,447	87
Property Taxes, 1937 .....	5,821	81
Property Taxes, 1938 .....	28,246	54
Poll Taxes, 1938 .....	798	45
Motor Excise Taxes, 1938 .....	2,698	72
Motor Excise Taxes, 1937 .....	134	63
State Treasurer, Old Age Assistance ....	2,708	01
City of Holyoke, Old Age Assistance ....	27	92
Total Receipts .....	\$19,752 56	

## TAX TITLES.

Seven Tax Titles .....	\$354 60
One Tax Title in Land Court .....	\$353 56

The Treasurer Credits himself with paying the following amounts:—

Officers' Salaries .....	\$1,698 49
Board of Health .....	568 02
Soldiers' Relief .....	58 50
Fire Department .....	799 66
Incidentals .....	1,998 37
Police Department .....	526 88



WPA .....	3,500	97
General Repairs .....	999	13
Road Machinery .....	769	91
Moth Suppression .....	150	00
Old Cemetery .....	25	00
Bonds for Town Officers .....	94	00
Worcester County Hospital .....	1,458	56
Snow Removal .....	1,474	80
Director of Accounts .....	6	00
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes	23,500	00
State Tax .....	3,740	00
County Tax .....	2,450	28
County Treasurer, Dog License Fees	421	60
State Parks and Reservations .....	47	45
Home National Bank, Interest .....	70	33
Schools .....	18,430	56
Motor Tax Refund .....	53	38
Library .....	675	00
Chapter 81 .....	9,000	00
Forest Fires .....	299	98
Playground Fund .....	400	00
Street Lights .....	449	85
Memorial Day .....	90	65
Fire Truck, Special Appropriation .....	2,000	00
Trade School .....	68	77
Emergency Flood Fund .....	7,289	35
Chapter 90, Maintainance .....	2,646	97
Chapter 90, New Construction .....	9,388	03
Tree Warden .....	797	03
Swandale Cemetery .....	20	00
Public Welfare .....	7,097	64
Mothers' Aid .....	1,310	00
Old Age Assistance .....	11,032	16
County Treasurer, Dog License Fees ....	1	80
Total Payments .....		\$115,409 12
Cash balance .....		4,343 44
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		\$119,752 56



## FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,177 39	
To Interest in Milford Savings Bank ....	128 85	
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## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,195 43	
By One Library Order .....	110 81	
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## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$174 41	
To Cash in Worcester County Institu- tion for Savings .....	653 78	
To Cash in Home National Bank .....	619 63	
To Interest Milford Savings Bank .....	6 81	
To Interest Home National Bank .....	11 94	
To Interest Worcester County Institu- tion for Savings .....	16 42	
	<hr/>	\$1,482 99

## CR.

By Cash in Worcester County Institu- tion for Savings .....	\$670 20	
By Cash in Home National Bank .....	742 79	
By Two Town Orders .....	70 00	
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## RESERVE FUND

\$1,000 00

Transferred to Road M'c'h. Account	\$100 00
Transferred to Memorial Day Account	15 65
Transferred to Tree Warden .....	500 00
Transferred to Old Age Assistance ....	151 60
Transferred to Temporary Aid .....	102 61

Transferred to Police Dept. ....	76 88	
Transferred to WPA .....	97	
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	\$947 71	
Balance of Fund .....	52 29	
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		\$1,000 00

## SCHOOL PROJECT, 1395, D. S.

## DR.

To cash balance, Jan. 1, 1938 .....	\$30,666 53	
To Revenue Notes .....	820 00	
To Cash from U. S. Treasury .....	15,000 00	
To cash from U. S. Treasury .....	6,000 00	
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		\$52,486 53

## CR.

By cash paid, Preliminary Expenses ....	\$184 38	
By cash paid, Construction Charges ....	45,791 46	
By cash paid, Engineering Charges .....	2,210 80	
By cash paid, Insurance .....	154 13	
By cash paid, Legal and Overhead		
Expenses .....	16 25	
By cash paid, Revenue Notes .....	2,820 00	
By cash paid, Interest .....	722 21	
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		\$51,899 23
Cash balance .....	587 30	
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		\$52,486 53
Total amount paid .....	\$51,899 23	
Amount due the Project Fund, by the		
Town .....	3,542 21	
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Project expenditures .....		\$48,357 02

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES U. GASKILL,

Treasurer.

January 1, 1939.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

### INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation .....	\$2,000 00
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#### CARE AND OPERATION OF TOWN HALL.

Raymond Barrows, janitor .....	\$150 00
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	10 06
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	90 25
F. A. Gould, floor wax .....	75
P. A. Ruggiero, electrical supplies .....	10 50
Donat Roy, repairs on stage .....	4 70
M. M. Goodnow Co., repairs to pump ....	11 85
Harold C. Barrows, wood .....	20 00
Repairs to drain .....	11 50
Edward Whiting, repairs to roof .....	22 50
Barney Coal Co., coal .....	77 00
C. E. Clarke, electrical supplies .....	9 70
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	80
H. S. Chadbourne, supplies .....	10 50
Traffic Equipment Co., signs .....	4 78
C. B. Hardy, extinguisher .....	5 40
	\$440 29

#### CARE AND OPERATION OF RECORD ROOM.

Kello Oil Co., repairs on oil burner .....	\$2 50
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co., toll calls .....	58 05
Milford Key Co., keys for Record Room	2 00
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	20
F. A. Gould, supplies .....	70
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	1 10
M. M. Goodnow, repairs on burner .....	5 57
Louis Marlow, janitor service .....	25 00
	\$95 12

## BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS.

Elgar Bartlett .....	\$16 25	
Leonard Burr .....	16 25	
Robert McTurk .....	16 25	
Harold Lowell .....	7 50	
William Bowen .....	7 50	
Charles F. Bagg .....	5 75	
Robert Donnelly .....	3 50	
D. Kinsley Barnes .....	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$75 50

## TOWN CLERK.

Expenses to meetings .....	\$15 30	
Printing Fish and Game cards .....	1 00	
Toll calls .....	85	
Postage and money orders .....	5 08	
Transportation for election mdse. ....	6 00	
Supplies .....	7 13	
Death certificates .....	50	
Burial permits .....	25	
Swearing in Town Officers .....	6 75	
	<hr/>	\$42 86

## TAX COLLECTOR.

Expenses to meetings .....	\$7 00	
Overpayment to Treasurer on 1935		
taxes .....	1 98	
Use of auto .....	10 00	
Postage .....	43 00	
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## TOWN TREASURER.

Making Schedule A .....	\$10 00	
Postage .....	42 55	
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## INSPECTION OF ANIMALS.

M. U. Gaskill, salary .....	\$120 00	
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## SELECTMEN.

Postage .....	\$34 43	
Expenses to meetings .....	79 00	
Dues for Selectmen's Association .....	6 00	
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## ASSESSORS.

Expenses to meetings .....	\$18 00	
Postage .....	8 16	
Carl Taft, use of auto .....	20 00	
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## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Walter Taylor, salary .....	\$40 00	
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## DOG OFFICER.

Harold C. Barrows, salary .....	\$10 00	
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## CARE OF PARKS.

D. J. Pond, mowing .....	\$43 50	
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## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

W. N. Seibert, salary, Moth Supt. ....	\$10 00	
Frost Insecticide Co., brushes .....	6 50	
Joseph Visconti, surveying .....	22 00	
Wor. County Abstract Co., examination of title .....	25 00	
Clifford A. Cook, release of mortgage	15 50	
James Brady, cleaning cemetery .....	4 00	

Joseph Edwards, death returns .....	50	
W. W. Watson, death returns .....	50	
G. M. Billings, police cards .....	4 25	
Registry of Motor Vehicles .....	2 00	
A. B. Cenedella, expenses .....	80 00	
Harold Metcalf, use of auto, 1938 .....	10 00	
Felix Bessette, weighing .....	2 30	
	<hr/>	\$182 55

#### MISCELLANEOUS OFFICE EXPENSES.

##### ASSESSORS.

Henry Clough, cost of material for printing list of persons assessed a poll tax .....	\$20 00	
Geo. R. Barnstead, Excise cards .....	1 00	
Wor. County Abstract Co., deed abstracts .....	18 08	
Hobbs and Warren, printing .....	22 50	
	<hr/>	\$61 58

##### TOWN TREASURER.

The Charlescraft Press .....	\$4 00	
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##### TAX COLLECTOR.

Hobbs and Warren, printing .....	\$13 53	
G. M. Billings, printing .....	32 50	
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##### TOWN CLERK.

The Charlescraft Press, printing .....	\$9 35	
Robinson Seal Co., printing .....	80 07	
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##### SELECTMEN.

The Forbes Press, printing .....	\$28 64	
The Charlescraft Press, envelopes .....	4 00	

Hobbs and Warren, printing .....	2 66	
The Charlescraft Press, town reports .....	198 00	
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#### MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES FOR ALL TOWN OFFICERS.

Cahill's News Agency .....	\$18 71	
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#### ADVERTISING.

Milford Daily News, town warrants, dog warrants, tax collector's notices and tax sales .....	116 89	
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#### REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

A. S. Coleman, clerk, salary .....	\$20 00	
D. Kinsley Barnes, salary .....	10 00	
Charles F. Bagg, salary .....	10 00	
Joseph W. McEwen, salary .....	10 00	
G. M. Billings, tally sheets, caucus bills and ballots .....	42 50	
The Charlescraft Press, printing .....	6 00	
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#### SUMMARY.

Appropriation .....	\$2,000 00	
Expended .....	1,998 37	
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Unexpended .....		\$1 63

#### SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation .....	\$1,700 00
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#### Expenditures:

Arthur P. Dalton, Tax Collector .....	\$411 49
Moses U. Gaskill, Treasurer .....	250 00
Albert S. Coleman, Town Clerk .....	125 00



Harold Metcalf, Chairman of Selectmen and Welfare Board, 1 year ....	156 00	
Roy A. Barrows, Chairman of Welfare Board and Selectman, 1 year .....	170 00	
William R. Bowen, Selectmen and Welfare Board, one year .....	81 00	
Charles F. Leonard, Clerk of Assessors	250 00	
Carl M. Taft, Assessor .....	100 00	
Edward T. Whiting, Assessor .....	100 00	
Harold C. Barrows, Constable .....	25 00	
Wm. A. Barry, Auditor .....	25 00	
Frank H. Wood, Moderator .....	5 00	
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Total expended .....	\$1,698 49	
Unexpended .....	1 51	
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#### WORCESTER TRADE SCHOOL, TUITION.

Appropriated .....		\$68 77
Paid Worcester Trade School .....	\$68 77	
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#### RESERVE FUND.

Appropriation .....		\$1,000 00
Expended:		
Transferred to Memorial Day Account	\$15 65	
Transferred to Road Mach. Fund .....	100 00	
Transferred to Tree Warden Dept. ....	500 00	
Transferred to Old Age Assistance .....	151 60	
Transferred to Temporary Aid .....	102 61	
Transferred to Police Dept. ....	76 88	
Transferred to WPA appropriation .....	97	
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Unexpended .....		52 29
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## WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

Appropriation .....		\$1,458 56
Expended:		
Paid County Treasurer		
For care and maintenance .....	\$619 75	
Interest on Bonds .....	288 81	
Construction .....	550 00	
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## STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriated .....		\$475 00
Expended		
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co. ....	\$449 85	
Unexpended .....	25 15	
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## PLAYGROUND FUND.

Appropriated .....		\$400 00
Expended:		
Mrs. Lunette R. Danforth for land	\$400 00	
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## SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES.

Appropriated .....		\$20 00
Expended		
Swandale Cemetery Association .....	\$20 00	
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## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX REFUNDS.

1937 taxes .....	\$2 37	
1938 taxes .....	51 01	
	<hr/>	\$53 38

## MOTH SUPPRESSION.

Appropriation .....		\$150 00
Expended for labor:		
W. Seibert .....	\$98 00	
R. Steere .....	8 00	
W. Munsell .....	8 00	
H. York .....	8 00	
R. Bartlett .....	8 00	
C. Brummitt .....	8 00	
J. Plouf .....	8 00	
A. Cromb .....	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$150 00

## SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation .....		\$100 00
Paid for care of one case .....	\$58 50	
Unexpended .....	41 50	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

## OLD CEMETERY.

Appropriation .....		\$25 00
Expended for Labor .....	\$25 00	
	<hr/>	\$25 00

## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

Expended .....	\$70 00	
	<hr/>	\$70 00

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation .....	\$75 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	15 65	
	<hr/>	\$90 65
Expended		
Parkinson Bros., wreath .....	\$5 00	
Lakeside Flower Shop, wreath .....	5 00	
J. Frank Leonard, wreath .....	5 00	

C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	9 00	
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	2 25	
Johnson Bus Lines, Inc., transportation .....	21 00	
Milford High School Boys' Band .....	35 00	
Post 22, G. A. R., flags .....	8 40	
	<hr/>	\$90 65

## BONDS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriated .....		\$108 00
Expended:		
Maryland Casualty .....	\$10 00	
Paul Williams Agency .....	84 00	
Unexpended .....	14 00	
	<hr/>	\$108 00

## ASSETS.

## Uncollected Taxes:

1937 Property Tax .....	\$3,207 87	
1938 Poll Tax .....	14 94	
1938 Property Tax .....	10,292 55	
	<hr/>	\$13,515 36

## Due from State of Mass. on Highways:

Chapter 81 .....	\$424 22	
Chapter 90 (Northbridge St.) .....	3,730 00	
Chapter 90 maintenance .....	690 07	
	<hr/>	\$4,844 29

## Due from County of Worcester on Highways:

Chapter 90, Northbridge St. ....	\$2,100 00	
Chapter 90, maintenance .....	690 07	
	<hr/>	\$2,790 07

## Welfare:

## Due from State of Mass. on Temporary Aid:

1937 Account .....	\$327 78	
1938 Account .....	880 35	
Due from Town of Medway .....	58 00	

## Old Age Assistance:

Due from State of Mass., balance due on bills rendered May 1, 1937 to April 30, 1938 .....	178 67	
Due from State covering period from May 1, 1938 to Dec. 31, 1938 .....	2,458 24	
Due from other Towns for period May 1, 1938 to Dec. 31, 1938:		
Town of Holyoke .....	66 67	
Town of Hopedale .....	53 32	
Town of Milford .....	22 50	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Due from State of Mass. from July 1, 1938 to Dec. 31, 1938 .....	361 78	
		<hr/> \$4,407 31
Cash in Hands of Treasurer .....	\$4,343 44	
		<hr/> \$4,343 44
Tax Titles:		
7 Titles .....	\$354 60	
1 Title in Land Court .....	353 56	
		<hr/> \$708 16
Total Assets .....		<hr/> \$30,608 63

## LIABILITIES.

Due County of Worcester for Con- struction and Equipment of Wor- cester Co. Hospital .....	\$5,500 00	
Kennedy, Spencer & Co., bonds on School House Addition .....	30,000 00	
Home National Bank (Note on antici- pation of revenue) .....	3,000 00	
Unpaid Library bills .....	42 63	
Notes due on School Building Fund ....	3,542 21	
		<hr/> \$42,084 84

## LIST OF JURORS.

Samuel W. Wood	Hartford Ave. W.	Carpenter
Aldo A. Sabatinelli	Milford Road	Contractor
William R. Bowen	Bates Street	Farmer
Roscoe Steere	Maple Street	Clerk
Ernest E. Souls	Bates Street	Pattern Maker
Harold Metcalf	George Street	Clerk
Walter I. Coffin	Washington Street	Salesman
Ellis L. Cook	Bellingham Street	Poultryman
George G. Davenport	North Avenue	Farmer
Silas H. Dudley	Uxbridge Road	Collector
Reuben B. Dalrymple	Hastings Street	Retired
William A. Armitage	Hartford Ave., E.	Carpenter
Norry J. Daige	Maple Street	Shuttle Maker
Roy A. Barrows	Blackstone Street	Farmer

## SUMMARY.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Incidentals	\$2,000.00	\$1,998.37	\$ 1.63	
Salaries of Town Officers	1,700.00	1,698.49	1.51	
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	947.71	52.29	
Worcester County Hospital	1,458.56	1,458.56		
Play Ground	400.00	400.00		
Moth Suppression	150.00	150.00		
Bonds Town Officers	108.00	94.00	14.00	
Soldiers' Relief	100.00	58.50	41.50	
Board of Health				
Town Appropriation	\$800.00			
Transferred to Tree Warden	200.00			
Police Department				
Town Appropriation	450.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	76.88	568.02	31.98	
Interest on Loans				
Memorial Day				
Town Appropriation	75.00	526.88		
Transferred from Reserve Fund	15.65	70.33	29.67	
Old Cemetery				
Soldier's and Sailor's Graves		90.65		
Tuition Worcester Trade School		25.00		
		20.00		
		68.77		



Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Street Lights		449.85	25.15	
Board of Public Welfare				
Town Appropriation	7,000.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	102.61			
		7,097.64	4.97	
Aid to Dependent Children				
Town Appropriation	1,000.00			
Received from Federal Grant	337.96			
		1,310.00	27.96	
Bureau of Old Age Assistance				
Town Appropriation	5,000.00			
Transferred from Overlay	692.75			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	151.60			
Received from Federal Grant	5,078.80			
		10,921.55	1.60	
Administration Account				
for Old Age Assistance				
Received from Federal Grant	189.68	110.61	79.07	
Chapter 81				
Town Appropriation	3,600.00			
Received from State	5,400.00			
		9,000.00		
Chapter 90 Maintenance				
Town Appropriation	1,000.00			
State Allotment	1,000.00			
County Allotment	1,000.00			
		2,646.97	353.03	

## SUMMARY—Continued.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Chapter 90—New Construction				
Northbridge Road	2,100.00			
Town Appropriation	4,700.00			
State Allotment	2,600.00			
County Allotment		9,388.03	11.97	
		999.13	.87	
General Repairs	9,400.00			
Road Machinery Account	1,000.00			
Transferred from Road Mch. Fund	670.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	100.00			
		769.91	.09	
Snow Removal				
Flood Grant—State Grant	1,500.00	1,474.80	25.20	
Tree Warden	12,700.00	7,289.35	5,410.65	
Town Appropriation	100.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	500.00			
Transferred from Board of Health	200.00			
		797.03	2.97	
Fire Department	800.00			
Forest Fires	800.00	799.66	.34	
Fire Truck	300.00	299.98	.02	
	2,000.00	2,000.00		

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Taft Public Library	675.00	675.00		
Schools				
Town Appropriation	18,821.67			
Dog License Refund	322.33			
	<u>19,144.00</u>	18,430.56	713.44	
Emergency Relief Fund				
Town Appropriation	3,500.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	.97			
	<u>3,500.97</u>	3,500.97		
Chapter 500—(Gas Tax Refund)				
State Allotment	<u>1,100.00</u>		1,100.00	
	<u>\$94,066.23</u>	<u>\$86,136.32</u>	<u>\$7,929.91</u>	
Totals				

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD METCALF, Chairman,  
 ROY A. BARROWS,  
 WM. R. BOWEN.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

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TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
GENTLEMEN:

I hereby submit my report of the work done by the Highway Department during the year 1938. I hope this report will give your board and the citizens of the Town a comprehensive record of the work started or completed under the different road contracts with the County and State during the past year.

### CHAPTER 81.

During the year 31,000 gallons of Asphalt were applied to roads. These roads with their distances were: Hartford Ave., East, 3200 feet; Bates Street, 2800 feet; Gaskill Street, 1700 feet; Powers Road, 1100 feet; Washington Street, 3200 feet; Pleasant Street, 3700 feet; Park Street, 3800 feet; Thornton Street, 3200 feet. On different roads 540 feet of concrete pipe were installed for drainage purposes either replacing old stone culverts or to carry away water undermining the shoulders of the roads.

2100 yards of gravel were spread on several roads needing repairing and 35 yards of ledge were removed on various bad curves to allow for road straightening. We have also erected 26 Street and directional road signs to facilitate motorists passing through town or seeking some particular place in town.

### CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

Due to the lateness of passage of the Governor's budget in the Legislature, the Maintenance and 90 Construction con-

tracts were received at the same time. This condition necessitated doing some of our maintenance work while our construction was also in progress.

As a result the section of road between Moses Gaskill's house and the Public Library was not torn up and treated as schedule.

Under the ruling of the State Dept. of Public Works and with their approval, all work not completed November 30th was to be suspended and the funds carried over into 1939 for completion of work. We are therefor carrying over a balance of \$353.00 to finish our 1938 contract.

5000 gallons of Tarvia and 4000 gallons of Asphalt were applied in various amounts to North Ave., Northbridge Road, Millville Road and Providence Street. On Providence Street 32 feet of R. F. C. pipe was installed, replacing an old stone culvert.

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

### NORTHBRIDGE ROAD.

By order of the State, all money appropriated this year for construction was applied to Northbridge Road so that the remaining part could be completed to North Avenue. This was done and 3000 feet was built with the following approximate quantities of materials used: 3500 cu. yds. of gravel, 1050 feet of concrete pipe for drainage and 1000 gallons of Tarvia.

The County Commissioners and the Dept. of Public Works have already approved the same allotment (\$2600.00 from the County and \$4700.00 from the State) for 1939 construction on Millville Road, which will mean that 1940 should see Millville Road completed to the Millville Town line.

### FLOODS.

The floods of July took a heavy toll on both roads and bridges in the Town. At the height of the storm the Highway Department worked both day and night to keep all roads

passable, however, it finally was necessary to close all dirt roads to through traffic because of bad washouts. By sand-bagging, two bridges were saved, but the third, on Bellingham Street was lifted and carried a few feet away by the current of Mill River. When the rains had stopped a complete survey of all damage to both roads and bridges was made and a detailed report submitted to the State Emergency Finance Board together with a request for a grant to repair the damage done by the flood. Four and one-half miles of dirt road was washed out, one bridge gone and another at the Shoddy Mill with abutments weakened so badly by continual wash of the flood waters that a new bridge was essential to the safety of future travel over it.

The State Board accepted our figures as to the cost of repairs and the following week the Town of Mendon received a check for \$12,700.00.

Repairs to all but two of the roads have been completed. Miscoe Street and West Hill Road have been temporarily repaired and will be completed in the spring of 1939 before any other work is done. The bridge on Bellingham Street will be completed by the time these reports are out and the one at the Shoddy Mill started.

The Bellingham Street bridge will have reinforced concrete abutments, steel arch with reinforced concrete cap over the arch and concrete wing walls. The new bridge will be 25 feet wide to allow for any future widening of the road and will carry two 20 ton loads passing at the same time. The Shoddy Mill bridge will be relocated further upstream to eliminate the bad curve right at the old bridge.

### ROAD MACHINERY.

To properly maintain and keep in repair as economically as possible the roads of any town or city to-day it is essential that a Highway Department own certain necessary equipment. Following this policy, we have purchased certain pieces of equipment from time to time throughout the year at no additional cost to the Town and paid for on a rental



basis. One instance of this was the purchase of a six ton gasoline roller. While being used on road work it was charged for, like a piece of rented equipment and the money sent to the company from which it was purchased. When the 90 Construction work started it was necessary to rent a larger roller and we then rented our own roller to the Town of Millville for a period of weeks.

This arrangement proved advantageous to us for the Town of Millville used it long enough to finish all payments due, besides providing work for one of our men as operator.

This next year, outside rentals like this will help greatly to build up our Machinery Account. We have also purchased a new 75 gallon tar and asphalt kettle with hand spraying attachment for shoulder work, a cement mixer, new pneumatic tired tractor and new steel V snow plow. The old crawler type tractor broke down completely in the midst of the construction work this fall. There were two reasons for not repairing the old tractor: First, the cost as compared to the price of the new 1937 model purchased and second, the fact that we are now out of the mud and within another year will have no further use for a crawler-type tractor. The hurricane completely wrecked the large old fashioned wooden plow for the tractor. This new V-type plow with high flaring moldboard will roll the snow in a much more satisfactory manner than the old straight up and down V plow.

#### CONCLUSION.

I again wish to thank you gentlemen on the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of the town for your continued friendship and cooperation, and again to those citizens who have been inconvenienced by my closing certain roads during construction or oiling, may I express my appreciation for your patience and help.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. DONNELLY,

Superintendent of Streets.



## W P A

Again this year, the local WPA has made many permanent improvements in Mendon. The first of the year was spent in putting in sections of stone filled roads on the Farm to Market program. Then the water hole in the center of the Town was enlarged to 25 feet by 40 feet. For four months in the early spring a crew of 14 men under the Moth Supt. covered all wooded sections of town under a Moth Project.

Another group of men installed a new drainage system on Washington Street and later the entire WPA force working in two shifts graded the High School grounds, built new cement walks, parking space and drive, excavated for new tennis courts and baseball diamond and cut off all brush from the new land purchased from Mrs. Danforth for a playing field.

While work was in progress on this project the hurricane of Sept. 21st struck with the resultant heavy damage to roads and private property. Immediately an emergency was declared by the Selectmen and all WPA help under the supervision of the Supt. of Streets and the Tree Warden, together with the Highway Dept., were put to work opening all roads for two-way traffic. Under orders from the State Administration the WPA was allowed to work 10 hours a day including Sundays as long as the emergency lasted.

A rehabilitation project was immediately submitted for cleaning up roadsides and approval of Federal funds to the amount of \$10,000.00 for men and trucks was approved for this work.

When the roadsides had been fairly well cleaned up work was suspended for the time being on this project and work started on a Forest Fire Hazard project to clean up all timber 100 feet back from the roadsides and open all forest lanes and cart paths before the spring forest fires began. To aid the Mendon workers, 68 men from Blackstone were sent in and the work is about finished.

We have, approved and awaiting operation, several worthwhile projects for the coming year. The Federal Government has forwarded approval of the following projects: Gypsy Moth project, rehabilitation project, High School grounds improvement, Assessors' project for cataloging and card indexing all property and persons assessed in the town and a surveying and map project designed to survey all taxable property, establish and place bounds, establish road bounds and draw maps of all roads and property surveyed. This work includes examining all titles in the courthouse of local property owners.

During the year we have had employed on the WPA between 30 and 55 men at all times. At the present time there are 34 men at work. The Federal government has expended \$27,000.00 in this town this year for this work on labor and materials.

In conclusion, let me say that the work done in this town by the WPA has been commendable and has received favorable comments from the head WPA office and the U. S. Forestry Service.

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROBERT M. DONNELLY,  
 WPA Supervisor.

#### CHAPTER 81.

##### Department of Public Works Agreement No. 3146

Town Appropriation .....	\$3,600 00	
State Allotment .....	5,400 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,000 00

#### EXPENDITURES.

##### PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$3,389 50	
Equipment .....	3,181 30	
	<hr/>	\$6,570 80

## GRAVEL AND SAND.

M. L. Goldthwaite .....	\$114 17	
M. U. Gaskill .....	12 60	
	<hr/>	\$126 77

## SURFACING MATERIALS.

N. England Asphalt & Tar Co., 30,500 gal. Asphalt .....	\$1,918 14	
Barrett Co., 1000 gal. Tar .....	120 12	
	<hr/>	\$2,038 26

## MISCELLANEOUS.

McGuinness, sign posts .....	\$21 00	
Wilkinson Co., push brooms .....	5 92	
State Prison, street signs .....	59 40	
Roy Barrows, grain bags .....	10 50	
Corbett Co., concrete pipe .....	145 92	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	7 03	
W. Heck, drill points .....	14 40	
	<hr/>	\$264 17
Total Expenditures .....		\$9,000 00

## SUMMARY.

Town Appropriation .....	\$3,600 00	
Received from State .....	5,337 49	
Due from State .....	62 51	
	<hr/>	\$9,000 00

## CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE.

Town Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
State Allotment .....	1,000 00	
County Allotment .....	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$778 50	
Equipment .....	579 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,357 50

## EMPLOYEES LIABILITY INSURANCE.

H. A. Daniels & Co. ....	\$26 04
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## SURFACING MATERIALS.

N. E. Asphalt & Tar Co., 4000 gal.	
Asphalt .....	\$292 24
Barrett Co., 5000 gal. Tar .....	594 29
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	\$886 53

## SAND AND GRAVEL.

Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. ....	\$164 50
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## CONCRETE PIPE.

Corbett Pipe Co. ....	\$212 40
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## SUMMARY.

Total expended .....	\$2,646 97
Balance, for scheduled work not done	
in 1938, to be expended in 1939 ....	353 03
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	\$3,000 00

## GENERAL REPAIRS.

Town Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00
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## EXPENDITURES.

Labor .....	\$364 50
Equipment .....	269 30
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	\$633 80

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Fiske Lumber Co., lumber .....	\$163 32
H. M. Curtiss, cement .....	37 54
Bradbury-Locke, lumber .....	12 11
Corbett Pipe Co., pipe .....	74 40
Barrett Co., tar patch .....	54 60

Phil & Co., boots .....	4 00	
Hope Rubber Co., coats .....	15 97	
C. C. Shattuck, paint .....	2 99	
H. S. Chadbourne, files .....	40	
	<hr/>	\$365 33
Total expended .....	\$999 13	
Unexpended .....	87	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 00

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

## NORTHBRIDGE ROAD.

Town Appropriation .....	\$2,100 00	
State Allotment .....	4,700 00	
County Allotment .....	2,600 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,400 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$3,077 20	
Equipment .....	3,942 30	
	<hr/>	\$7,019 50

## GRAVEL.

M. U. Gaskill .....	\$233 00	
M. L. Goldthwaite .....	78 68	
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone .....	14 75	
	<hr/>	\$226 43

## SURFACING MATERIALS.

Barrett Co., 10,000 gal. Tar .....	\$1,187 03
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## CONCRETE PIPE.

Corbett Pipe Co. ....	\$715 52
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## EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE.

H. A. Daniels & Co. ....	\$139 55
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## SUMMARY.

Total expended .....	\$9,388 03	
Balance to be expended in 1939 .....	11 97	
	<hr/>	\$9,400 00

## SNOW REMOVAL.

Appropriation .....	\$1,500 00
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## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$521 00	
Trucks .....	848 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,369 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

F. A. Gould, bulbs .....	\$1 75	
A. J. Wilkinson, snow shovels .....	16 00	
Fisk-Alden, tractor parts.....	88 05	
	<hr/>	\$105 80

## SUMMARY.

Total expended .....	\$1,474 80	
Unexpended .....	25 20	
	<hr/>	\$1,500 00

## ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT.

Appropriation .....	\$670 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$770 00

## EXPENDITURES.

C. C. Shattuck, gas and oil .....	\$158 42
Fisk-Alden Co., parts .....	73 37
W. H. Casey, parts .....	3 00
Dekes Filling Station, gas and oil .....	3 44
Varney Bros., express .....	3 75
H. S. Chadbourne, stock .....	2 33

Donat Roy, repairs on tools .....	26 35	
Sunny Side Service Station, grease and oil .....	42 95	
E. O. Rose and Son, repairs .....	4 18	
F. A. Gould, stock .....	80	
Dyar Sales & Machinery Co., lanterns	17 75	
Milford Auto Parts Co., tar barrels ....	3 00	
Warren D. Sampson Co., mdse. for tractor .....	12 81	
Hedge and Mattheis Co., parts for mixer	4 45	
Hauck Manufacturing Co., tar kettle ....	245 00	
A. & J. Auto Ignition Co., parts for mixer .....	16 81	
Eastern Bridge and Structural Co., road hone .....	100 00	
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		\$718 41

## EXPENDED FOR LABOR.

Payroll No. 1 .....	\$19 50	
Payroll No. 2 .....	32 00	
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		\$51 50
Unexpended .....		09
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		\$770 00

## EMERGENCY FLOOD FUND.

Received from State Emergency Fin- ance Commission .....	\$12,700 00
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## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$2,811 50	
Equipment .....	2,924 80	
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		\$5,736 30



## GRAVEL AND STONE.

Rosenfeld Sand and Stone .....	\$667 10	
M. L. Goldthwaite .....	104 16	
Varney Bros. ....	27 50	
	<hr/>	\$798 76

## CEMENT.

Milford Grain Co. ....	\$46 60	
H. M. Curtiss Co. ....	19 62	
Bradbury-Locke .....	3 90	
	<hr/>	\$70 12

## LUMBER.

W. G. Fiske .....	\$39 32	
Bradbury-Locke .....	66 64	
	<hr/>	\$105 96

## PIPE.

Corbett Pipe .....	\$60 80	
H. M. Curtiss .....	2 40	
	<hr/>	\$63 20

## REPAIRS.

Allied Steel .....	\$25 71	
E. O. Rose .....	5 08	
N. L. Huff .....	4 56	
Donat Roy .....	10 50	
Elgar Bartlett .....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$46 85

## BAGS FOR COFFER DAM.

R. Grant .....	\$24 60	
Wm. Smith .....	5 10	
Wm. Bowen .....	2 25	
Roy Barrows .....	2 46	
Walter Gaskill .....	72	
Earle Gaskill .....	63	
	<hr/>	\$35 76



## MISCELLANEOUS TOOLS AND SUPPLIES.

H. S. Chadbourne, supplies .....	\$56 46	
Dyar Sales Co., tools .....	19 13	
A. J. Wilkinson, tools .....	16 88	
Uxbridge Hardware, tools .....	33 80	
Phil & Co., boots .....	20 40	
Varney Bros., express .....	2 50	
Deke's, oil .....	18 22	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	136 13	
Barrett Co., tar .....	118 88	
Harold Metcalf, use of car .....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$432 40

## SUMMARY.

Total expended in 1938 .....	\$7,289 35	
Balance to be expended in 1939 .....	5,410 65	
	<hr/>	\$12,700 00

## WPA APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation .....	\$3,500 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	97	
	<hr/>	\$3,500 97

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$310 00
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## TRUCKS.

Kinsley Barnes .....	\$348 00	
Walter Coffin .....	286 50	
Robert Donnelly .....	358 50	
Edward Goss .....	88 50	
Daniel Leone .....	342 00	
Harold Metcalf .....	379 50	
Carl Taft .....	361 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,164 50

## COMPRESSOR.

Aldo Sabatinelli .....	\$299 00
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## PUMP.

L. C. Woodfall .....	\$47 00
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\$2,820 50

## MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

## LUMBER.

Bradbury-Locke .....	\$18 34
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H. M. Curtiss .....	14 90
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L. Holbrook .....	6 00
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\$39 24

## TOOLS.

Fairbanks Co. ....	\$66 15
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Chase-Parker .....	118 12
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H. S. Chadbourne .....	52 33
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Dyar Sales .....	16 20
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A. J. Wilkinson .....	10 80
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Edson Corp. ....	7 55
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Chas. McCarthy Co. ....	24 96
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F. A. Gould .....	6 70
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\$302 81

## GRAVEL.

M. U. Gaskill .....	\$23 20
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M. Goldthwaite .....	28 61
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N. Greenwood .....	54 00
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J. Rosenfeld .....	17 00
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J. Courteau .....	4 20
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\$127 01

## DYNAMITE AND BLASTING SUPPLIES.

Walter Heck .....	\$51 90
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J. Rosenfeld .....	47 75
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\$99 65

## MOTH EQUIPMENT.

Huggins & Son, creosote .....	\$14 58	
Frost Insecticide, brushes .....	9 72	
Nina Burr, glasses .....	72	
	<hr/>	\$25 02

## EXPRESS ON TOOLS.

Varney Bros. ....	\$3 00	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. ....	1 47	
Seaver's Express .....	75	
Railway Express Co. ....	56	
	<hr/>	\$5 78

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Donat Roy, repairs .....	\$31 05	
E. O. Rose, repairs .....	5 85	
Phil & Co., boots .....	8 00	
J. J. Gibbs, first aid .....	4 02	
C. C. Shattuck, kerosene, etc. ....	28 02	
Deke's, oil .....	92	
R. Barrows, bags .....	2 10	
M. Bowen, typing .....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$80 96
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Total expended for materials .....		\$680 47

## SUMMARY.

Pay Rolls .....	\$2,820 50	
Materials and Supplies .....	680 47	
	<hr/>	\$3,500 97

SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES ON ALL HIGHWAY WORK FOR 1938.

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 Maintenance	General Repairs	Chapter 90 Northbridge	Snow Removal	Flood Fund	Totals
Robert Donnelly	\$529.50	\$42.75	\$118.50	\$324.00	\$67.50	\$262.50	\$1,344.75
Joseph Amantea	8.00						8.00
Joseph Anesta	39.00						39.00
Henry Anthony	4.00	29.50		168.50		99.00	301.00
Louis Anthony	170.00		16.00	4.50	10.00	20.50	221.00
Alfred Auty	23.50	12.00		144.00	10.00	82.50	272.00
Fred Bagg	4.00		17.00		8.00	5.00	34.00
Merton Barrows			2.00				2.00
Raymond Barrows			6.50				6.50
Robert Bartlett	4.00				4.00		8.00
Wm. Bowen	11.50				1.50	40.00	53.00
James Brady	107.50	36.00		140.50	4.00	113.00	401.00
Robert Brownley	22.00	20.00		110.00	21.00	13.50	186.50
Peter Brunette	81.50	44.00		97.50	8.00	60.50	291.50
William Coppfer	134.00	25.50		197.50	16.00	134.50	507.50
Robert Coulter		12.00		6.00			18.00
A. Courtemanche	36.50				1.50	4.00	42.00
James Cram	82.50					67.50	150.00
Rudolph Deiana				43.20		48.00	91.20
Francis Dewolf	6.50	25.00		18.00		59.50	109.00
Walter Dimock	15.00						15.00
George Driscoll	17.50						17.50
Harold Dunbar	3.00						3.00
Allen Faneuf	16.00			6.50			22.50
Theodore Garneau	54.50						54.50
Robert Grant	100.00		4.00	62.00	10.00	132.50	308.50
Chester Hammond	4.00	24.50	5.00	192.00	7.50	58.00	291.00
Edmund Hammond		24.50		89.50		8.50	122.50

## SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES—Continued.

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 Maintenance	General Repairs	Chapter 90 Northbridge	Snow Removal	Flood Fund	Totals
Frederick Hartshorn	50.00		6.50		10.50		67.00
Edward Harvey	8.00						8.00
William Heck	21.00						21.00
Ernest Irons	2.00	24.00		60.00	11.00	23.00	109.00
William Irons	27.50	23.00		16.00	6.50	152.00	229.50
Arthur King					6.50		6.50
Wilfred King				27.00	6.50		6.50
Aram Lamothe							27.00
Joseph Lamothe	36.00		8.00		16.00		60.00
Orville Lapham	3.50		2.00			54.00	59.50
Charles Larking					7.50		7.50
Carl Lindfelt					9.00		9.00
C. Mathewson				20.00			20.00
Edwin Miller	164.50	52.00		112.00	10.00	91.00	429.50
Kenneth Morrison	188.00	57.50		129.50		131.00	506.00
William Munsell	278.50	85.00	43.50	108.00	27.00	117.50	659.50
George Neely	31.00						31.00
William Nuttall	183.50		4.00		9.50	5.25	202.25
Joseph Plouf	4.00				11.50		15.50
Joseph Randor	28.00	36.00		112.00	13.50	51.00	240.50
Norman Rogers				4.50	13.50		18.00
Frank Roy	11.50	27.50		52.00	31.50	73.50	164.50
Roscoe Steere	245.00	52.50	43.50	151.50		75.00	599.00
Austin Taft	69.00					4.00	73.00
Kenneth Taft		24.50				59.50	84.00
Douglas Taylor	21.50	4.00		75.00	6.00	73.00	179.50
Joseph Taylor	3.50			25.00		62.50	91.00
Leo Tetreault	320.50	32.75	66.00	216.00	63.50	224.00	922.75
N. Thibault	85.50	20.00		101.50	8.00	67.00	282.00
Warren Tracy					20.50		20.50

Wilbur Tucker	37.50	3.00	28.00	23.50	92.00
Harold Ward	76.00	4.00	51.00	75.00	236.00
Alec Wolec		8.50		50.25	50.25
Herbert Wood		4.00		6.00	66.00
Edmund Yanski	6.00			12.00	18.00
Walter Yanski	6.00	37.00	184.50	31.00	395.00
George York	8.00	7.50		134.50	15.50
<b>TOTAL LABOR</b>	<b>\$3,389.50</b>	<b>\$364.50</b>	<b>\$3,077.20</b>	<b>\$2,811.50</b>	<b>\$10,942.20</b>

### RENTED EQUIPMENT

#### TRUCKS.

Kinsley Barnes	\$453.00	\$120.00	\$13.50	\$288.50	\$318.00	\$1,193.00
Walter Coffin	246.00	27.00	19.50	256.50	276.00	855.00
Robert Donnelly	465.00	105.00	126.00	309.00	330.00	1,758.00
Edward Goss	367.00	46.50	1.50	524.50	316.50	1,256.00
Daniel Leone	70.50			204.00	280.50	555.00
Harold Metcalf	487.50	111.00	57.00	384.00	475.50	1,577.00
Aldo Sabatinelli				141.00	168.00	309.00
Carl Taft	528.00	27.00	21.00	439.50	255.00	1,677.00
	<b>\$2,617.00</b>	<b>\$436.50</b>	<b>\$238.50</b>	<b>\$2,547.00</b>	<b>\$2,493.00</b>	<b>\$9,180.00</b>

#### ROAD ROLLERS

Acme Power & Equip. Co.	280.00	50.00			40.00	370.00
R. H. Newell		52.50		283.50		336.00

#### POWER SHOVEL

Rosenfeld Sand & Stone			880.00			880.00
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#### COMPRESSOR

Aldo Sabatinelli	30.80		16.80	92.80		171.20
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# SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES—Continued.

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 Maintenance	General Repairs	Chapter 90 Northbridge	Snow Removal	Flood Fund	Totals
PUMPS.							
Thomas DeFalco						37.50	37.50
R. H. Newell						36.00	36.00
L. C. Woodfall						30.00	30.00
TOWN-OWNED EQUIPMENT.							
Road Grader	\$217.50	40.00		215.00		160.00	632.50
Tar Kettle	26.00					12.75	38.75
Cement Mixer	10.00					22.75	32.75
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	\$253.50	\$40.00		\$215.00		\$195.50	\$704.00
OUTSIDE RENTAL							
Road Grader							\$15.00
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Equipment Total	\$3,181.30	\$579.00	\$269.30	\$3,942.30	\$848.00	\$2,924.80	\$719.00
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TOTAL PAY ROLLS	\$6,570.80	\$1,357.50	\$633.80	\$7,019.50	\$1,369.00	\$5,736.30	\$22,686.90
Outside Rental	\$15.00						

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. DONNELLY,  
Superintendent of Streets.



## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

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The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet and Table of Aggregates are given below:

### RECAPITULATION SHEET.

**Town appropriations:**

Annual Town Meeting, March 2,		
1938 .....	\$58,319 33	
Debt and Interest .....	5,720 00	
State Tax .....	1,917 50	
State Parks and Reservation Tax	55 17	
County Tax .....	2,449 11	
Overlay for 1938 .....	756 22	
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	\$69,217 33	\$69,217 33

Estimated Receipts .....	\$24,843 62	
Available Funds (voted by Town Meeting and authorized by Tax Commissioner) .....	4,992 33	
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	\$29,838 19	\$29,838 19

Net Amount raised on polls and property .....		\$39,379 14
395 Poll Taxes @ \$2.00 each .....		790 00
Total Valuation .....	\$1,330,660 00	
Tax Rate .....	\$29 00	
Personal Property Tax .....		130,870 00
Real Estate .....		1,199,790 00



## TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Number of assessments on real estate .....		488
Number of assessments on personal estate .....		110
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		598
Number of male polls assessed .....		395
Value of assessed stock-in-trade ....	\$2,700 00	
Value of assessed live stock .....	44,270 00	
Value of assessed machinery .....	78,550 00	
Value of all other assessed personal estate .....	5,350 00	
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Value of assessed personal property .....	\$130,870 00	\$130,870 00
Value of assessed buildings, excluding land .....	869,430 00	
Value of assessed land, excluding buildings .....	330,360 00	
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Value of assessed real estate .....	\$1,199,790 00	\$1,199,790 00
Total value of assessed property ....		1,330,660 00
Tax on personal estate .....	3,795 23	
Tax on real estate .....	34,793 91	
Tax on polls .....	790 00	
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Total poll and property taxes .....	\$39,379 14	\$39,379 14
Rate of tax per \$1,000 .....		29 00
Number of horses assessed .....		65
Number of cows assessed .....		554
Number of sheep assessed .....		3
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed .....		91
Number of swine assessed .....		9
Number of dwelling houses assessed .....		418
Number of acres of land assessed .....		10,845
Number of fowl assessed .....		4,160

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED

## TO COLLECTOR IN 1938.

Vehicles registered in 1937 .....	\$31 85	
Vehicles registered in 1938 .....	2,738 90	
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	\$2,770 75	\$2,770 75

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED

## IN 1938.

1937 taxes .....	\$6 99	
1938 taxes .....	77 87	
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		\$84 86

## OVERLAY ACCOUNT

## 1937.

Overlay .....		\$684 50
Abatements .....	\$503 50	
Balance .....	181 00	
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	\$684 50	\$684 50

## 1938.

Overlay .....		\$756 22
Abatements .....	\$312 52	
Balance .....	443 70	
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	\$756 22	\$756 22

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD T. WHITING,

CARL M. TAFT,

CHARLES F. LEONARD,

Board of Assessors.

January 1, 1939.

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1938.

## 1936 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1938 .....	\$3,200 61	
Interest .....	255 66	
Costs on tax sales .....	7 20	
	<hr/>	\$3,463 47

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$3,447 87	
Tax takings .....	7 50	
Abated .....	8 10	
	<hr/>	\$3,463 47

## 1937 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

Total taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1938	\$103 45	
Interest .....	3 92	
	<hr/>	\$107 37

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$102 75	
Abated by Authority of Tax Comm. ....	4 62	
	<hr/>	\$107 37

## Dr.

## 1937 Motor Excise Taxes Committed

Jan. 15, 1938 .....	\$31 85	
Interest .....	03	
	<hr/>	\$31 88

## Cr.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$31 88	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$31 88

## 1937 PROPERTY TAXES.

## Dr.

Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1938 .....	\$8,917 38	
Interest .....	178 55	
	<hr/>	\$9,095 93

## Cr.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$5,821 81	
Subsequent Tax Title Credit .....	56 25	
Abated by Authority of Tax Comm. ....	10 00	
Uncollected .....	3,207 87	
	<hr/>	\$9,095 93

## 1938 POLL TAXES.

## Dr.

Taxes committed .....	\$800 00	
Demands .....	16 45	
	<hr/>	\$816 45

## Cr.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$798 45	
Abated .....	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$816 45

## 1938 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

First commitment April 1, 1938 .....	\$1,493 08	
Interest .....	2 58	
	<hr/>	\$1,495 66

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$1,480 02	
Abated .....	14 84	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$1,495 66

## DR.

Second commitment May 2, 1938 .....	\$803 95	
Interest .....	1 35	
	<hr/>	\$805 30

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$801 43	
Uncollected .....	3 87	
	<hr/>	\$805 30

## DR.

Third commitment July 1, 1938 .....	\$109 46	
Interest .....	14	
	<hr/>	\$109 60

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$105 49	
Uncollected .....	4 11	
	<hr/>	\$109 60

## DR.

Fourth commitment October 14, 1938	\$287 12	
Interest .....	12	
	<hr/>	\$287 24

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$287 24	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$287 24

## DR.

Fifth commitment December 1, 1938	\$45 29	
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## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$23 74	
Abated .....	10 48	
Uncollected .....	11 07	
	<hr/>	\$45 29

## 1938 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes committed .....	\$38,870 44	
Interest .....	25 52	
	<hr/>	\$38,895 96

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$28,246 54	
Subsequent tax title credit .....	62 35	
Abated .....	294 52	
Uncollected .....	10,292 55	
	<hr/>	\$38,895 96

Respectfully submitted,  
 ARTHUR P. DALTON,  
 Collector of Taxes.

January 1, 1939.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

### TEMPORARY AID.

#### RESOURCES.

Town appropriation .....	\$7,000 00	
Transferred from reserve fund .....	102 61	
	<hr/>	\$7,102 61
Expended .....	\$7,097 64	
Unexpended .....	4 97	
	<hr/>	\$7,102 61

### DETAILED EXPENDITURES.

#### MENDON SETTLED CASES.

One family in own home .....	\$455 36
One family in own home .....	148 00
One family in own home .....	2 00
One family in own home .....	148 00
One family in own home .....	262 00
One person in own home .....	56 00
One family in own home .....	203 00
One family in own home .....	400 55
One family in own home .....	272 00
One family in own home .....	12 00
One family in own home .....	68 05
One family in own home .....	8 00
One family in own home .....	301 48
One family in own home .....	28 00
One family in own home .....	20 00



One family in own home .....	64 00
One family in own home .....	16 00
One family in own home .....	144 00
One family in own home .....	36 00
One family in own home .....	83 00

## PAID OTHER TOWNS FOR MENDON SETTLED CASES.

Town of Northbridge .....	\$374 68
Town of Milford, one case .....	20 00
Town of Milford, one case .....	250 79
Town of Milford, one case .....	244 00
Town of Milford, one case .....	152 00
Town of Franklin, one case .....	110 12
Wife settled in Northbridge, husband	
State case .....	84 00

## WIFE AND CHILDREN SETTLED IN MENDON,

## HUSBAND STATE CASE.

One family in own home .....	26 00
One family in own home .....	4 95
One family in own home .....	5 13
One family in own home .....	227 10
One family in own home .....	82 00

## CASES RESIDING IN MENDON SETTLED IN OTHER TOWNS.

Uxbridge case .....	52 00
Upton case .....	118 95
Medway case .....	38 00

## CASE WITH NO SETTLEMENT, CHARGEABLE

## TO THE STATE.

One family in own home .....	\$285 42
One person in home of others .....	48 50
One family in own home .....	16 53
One family in own home .....	951 10

One family in own home .....	36 00
One family in own home .....	47 00
One family in own home .....	2 00
One family in own home .....	741 58
One family in own home .....	143 25
One family in own home .....	31 50

#### MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Helpers for Surplus commodities truck	\$33 00	
Mendon's share to Federal Government for Surplus Commodities Adminis- tration .....	41 56	
Mendon's share of cost of operating Surplus Commodities Ware House, Milford .....	175 04	
Supplies, Postage and Telephone calls	28 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,097 64

#### PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF ABOVE EXPENSE.

State of Massachusetts .....	\$2,416 64	
Other towns .....	276 15	
Mendon's share .....	4,404 85	
	<hr/>	\$7,097 64

#### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

Town appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
Received Federal Grant .....	337 96	
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#### EXPENDITURES.

Four cases .....	\$1,310 00	
Unexpended .....	27 96	
	<hr/>	\$1,337 96

#### PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF ABOVE EXPENSES.

Federal Grant .....	\$387 96	
State's share .....	614 36	
Town's share .....	307 68	
	<hr/>	\$1,310 00

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

## RESOURCES.

Town appropriation .....	\$5,000 00	
Transferred Overlay account (by vote of Town) .....	692 75	
Transferred from reserve fund .....	151 60	
Received Federal Grant .....	5,078 80	
		<hr/> \$10,923 15

EXPENDED.<sup>c</sup>

For assistance .....	\$10,921 55	
Unexpended .....	1 60	
		<hr/> \$10,923 15

## DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES.

Mendon settled cases receiving \$30.00 per month or less:		
30 cases .....	\$8,313 55	
Cases residing in Mendon, settled in other Towns:		
5 cases .....	1,209 00	
Cases residing in other Towns with Mendon settlement:		
7 cases .....	336 00	
Cases residing in Mendon with no set- tlement:		
5 cases .....	1,063 00	
		<hr/> \$10,921 55
Proportionate share of above assistance:		
Federal Government .....	\$5,121 50	
State's share .....	3,967 54	
Other Towns .....	90 75	
Mendon's share .....	1,741 76	
		<hr/> \$10,921 55

FEDERAL GRANT FOR ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES FOR  
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

Received from Federal Grant .....	\$189 68
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EXPENDED.

Printing and supplies .....	\$67 73	
Office expense .....	42 88	
	\$110 61	
Unexpended (to be carried forward in- to 1939 Administration fund) .....	79 07	
		\$189 68

CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND.

Boy Scouts' sale of Holly .....	\$30 00	
Bright Oak Club .....	10 00	
		\$40 00
Expended for cheer baskets .....		40 00

SURPLUS COMMODITIES.

The Surplus Commodities Ware House,  
Milford, delivered in Mendon for  
the year 1938, goods valued as  
follows:

Food .....	\$2,540 34
Clothing .....	1,346 60

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS, Chairman,  
HAROLD METCALF,  
WILLIAM A. BOWEN,  
Board of Public Welfare,

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

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Appropriation .....		\$800 00
Transferred from Board of Health to		
Tree Warden .....	\$200 00	
Daniel Leone, transportation .....	74 00	
William Bowen, transportation .....	27 00	
Fred Bagg, sign for dump .....	1 00	
Daily News, advertising .....	6 20	
A. Hackerson, burying dog .....	2 00	
State Board of Health, 1/2 fee, Miscoe		
Spring License .....	10 00	
F. Phillips, Meat Inspector .....	10 00	
Diphtheria Clinic .....	32 50	
J. Taylor, labor .....	2 00	
H. Ward, labor .....	2 00	
Town dump .....	43 57	
G. M. Billings, printing .....	7 00	
Pondville Hospital, one patient .....	25 00	
William Bowen, placarding and use of		
auto .....	15 00	
Worcester County Sanatorium, two		
patients .....	310 75	
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	\$768 02	
Unexpended .....	31 98	
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		\$800 00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN, Chairman,  
HAROLD METCALF,  
ROY A. BARROWS,

Board of Health.

## REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

Town appropriation .....	\$800 00
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### EXPENDED.

#### LABOR.

Harold Lowell, salary as chief .....	\$75 00
Charlotte Lowell, blowing fire whistle .....	34 50
William F. Irons, labor on apparatus .....	1 00
George A. Johnson, janitor .....	11 30

#### FOR FIRE CALLS.

Pay Roll—No. 1. Seibert fire .....	\$6 00
No. 2. Hickmot fire .....	7 50
No. 3. Tetreault fire .....	6 00
No. 4. Walter Gaskill fire .....	7 50
No. 5. Salaries .....	72 00
No. 6. Kenneth Taft fire .....	3 00
No. 7. D. H. Barnes fire .....	7 50
No. 8. Bert Harding fire .....	3 00
No. 9. Island House fire .....	1 50
<i>Woleck</i> No. 10. Walluck fire .....	58 50
No. 11. John Powers fire .....	4 50
No. 12. D. H. Barnes .....	6 00

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\$304 80

#### REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES.

Fitzhenry-Guptill Co., supplies for pump .....	\$12 36
Charles E. Clark, electrical supplies and labor .....	50 24

W. E. Corey, supplies and labor .....	7 95	
Forbes Press, printing .....	4 50	
Harold Lowell, supplies .....	3 90	
H. S. Chadbourne Co., supplies .....	1 30	
F. H. Hannaford, battery rental .....	2 00	
Farrar Co., supplies .....	22 85	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	24 96	
	<hr/>	\$130 06

## HEAT AND POWER.

Clark & Shaughnessy, fuel oil .....	\$27 73	
Worcester Sub. Elec. Co., power for whistle .....	60 00	
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## NEW EQUIPMENT.

C. F. Hardy, 300 ft. 1½" hose .....	\$196 00	
Mid-Western Mfg. Co., fireman's coat .....	81 07	
	<hr/>	\$277 07

Total expended .....	\$799 66
Unexpended .....	34

	<hr/>	\$800 00
Special appropriation for Fire Truck .....	\$2,000 00	
Expended—Farrar Co. ....	\$2,000 00	

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL, Chief,  
 RAYMOND L. DALEY,  
 ROY A. BARROWS, Clerk,  
 Fire Engineers.



## REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN.

Town appropriation .....	\$300 00
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### EXPENDED.

Harold Lowell, salary as Warden .....	\$25 00
Pay Roll—No. 1. Hickmot fire .....	17 00
No. 2 Carbaneau fire .....	5 00
No. 3. Carlson fire .....	10 50
No. 4. Scott Farm fire .....	13 00
No. 5. Sara Staples fire ....	5 00
No. 6. Lewis Gaskill fire .....	19 00
No. 7 Mendon Hill fire ....	12 00
No. 8. Airport fire .....	6 50
No. 9. Uxbridge fire .....	25 00
	\$138 00

### SUPPLIES AND OPERATING EXPENSES.

Harold Lowell, toll calls .....	\$2 40
Leslie C. Wentworth, supplies .....	2 10
Maxim Motors Co., supplies .....	11 29
Perkins & Butler, supplies .....	3 12
	\$18 91

### NEW EQUIPMENT.

Farrar Co., 300 ft. forestry hose .....	\$78 50
J. A. McCarthy Co., battery and salvage covers .....	13 57

J. B. Hardy, helmets and parts .....	51 00	
	<hr/>	\$143 07
Total expended .....		<hr/>
		\$299 98
Unexpended .....		02
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		\$300 00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Forest Warden.

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

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Appropriation .....	\$100 00	
Transferred from the Reserve Fund ....	500 00	
Transferred from Board of Health ap- propriation .....	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$800 00

### EXPENDED.

For labor .....	\$468 40	
Trucks .....	228 50	
Supplies .....	99 13	
Filing saws .....	1 00	
Unexpended .....	2 97	
	<hr/>	\$800 00

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. WOOD,

Tree Warden.

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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Appropriation .....	\$450 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	76 88	
	<hr/>	\$526 88

### EXPENDITURES.

Court Fees .....	\$71 23	
Toll Calls .....	14 55	
Fire Arms Book .....	35	
Instruction Books .....	3 00	
Police Duty May 30 .....	19 50	
Police Duty July 3 and 4 .....	57 50	
Police Duty October 31 .....	29 00	
Investigating Accidents, etc. ....	201 50	
Police Duty on Road .....	99 25	
Meals for Prisoners .....	6 25	
Investigating Triple Murder and Suicide .....	18 75	
Use of Automobiles .....	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$526 88

During the year the following arrests were made .....	18
For Breaking and Entering .....	8
For Drunkenness .....	4
For Non-Support .....	2
For Receiving Stolen Goods .....	1
For Bigamy .....	1
For Assault and Battery .....	1
Summons to Court .....	1

Investigated Breaks at Cottages .....	27
Investigated Complaints .....	33

During the year the automobile accidents were reduced considerable due to the patrolling of the Highways of the Town. The accident figures as compared to the year before are as follows:

1937	1938
52 Accidents	20 Accidents
36 Injured	11 Injured

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BARROWS,

Chief Police Dept.

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

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Platform scale over 5000 lbs. (free) .....	1	
Platform scale under 5000 lbs. ....	1	\$ 50
Spring scales under 100 lbs. ....	5	50
Computing scale under 100 lbs. ....	1	10
Gasoline pumps at 50 cents each .....	9	4 50
Kerosene pumps at 50 cents each .....	1	50
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	18	\$6 10

I have inspected the following licenses:

Meat peddler .....	1
Vendors .....	3
Fish peddlers .....	2
Fruit peddlers .....	4
Bread peddlers .....	5
Junk peddlers .....	1
Range oil .....	2
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	18

I have collected \$6.10 for fees and have turned same over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER TAYLOR, Sealer.

Mendon, January 2, 1939.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

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To the Honorable Board of Health:

Following you will find a report of animals slaughtered in my presence and inspected by me in the year 1938:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
January .....			1	
February .....				
March .....				
April .....				
May .....				
June .....				
July .....				
August .....				
September .....				
October .....				
November .....				
December .....	1		3	
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Totals .....	1		4	

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK R. PHILLIPS,

Inspector of Slaughtering.



FINANCIAL REPORT  
OF BUILDING COMMITTEE.  
MENDON PWA PROJECT 1395 DS.

Expended in 1938:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts .....	\$4 00	
American Bank Note Co. ....	46 13	
Engineering Services .....	2,210 80	
Insurance during construction .....	154 13	
Notary Public services .....	16 35	
Advertising .....	134 25	
	<hr/>	\$2,565 56

Construction:

Di Sandro Bros. ....	\$43,684 91	
Dunn-Galvin Corp. ....	2,106 55	
	<hr/>	\$45,791 46
		<hr/>
		\$48,357 02

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. LOWELL, Chairman,  
SILAS H. DUDLEY, Clerk,  
ERNEST E. SOULS,  
HAROLD METCALF,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
GEORGE G. DAVENPORT,

Building Committee.

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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Another year of Library work has now come to a close.

To this committee, the death of Mr. Edward F. Blood is a great loss. His vision and ability lead to a steady growth of this library which has meant much to the pupils of the school and the townspeople. May we carry on the work of the library as efficiently and with as much interest as Mr. Blood.

The circulation of books shows a slight decrease, due to the loss of lights and chimney caused by the hurricane, making it necessary to partially close the Library for six weeks.

New books have been purchased with the Fletcher Fund which is a help in keeping the Library supplied with the latest books of Travel, History and Fiction. This fund is greatly appreciated by the Committee.

A new ceiling has been installed of Armstrong Temlok, and this year we are asking for an appropriation to cover the walls with the same material which is sound deadening, an insulator and very good looking. The roof will also have to be repaired due to the damage caused by the hurricane.

Respectfully submitted,  
ERNEST SOULS, Chairman,  
EDWARD T. WHITING, Secretary,  
MRS. LENA W. GEORGE,  
JULES I. PHILIE,  
HAROLD METCALF,  
Library Trustees.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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Appropriation .....	\$675 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	\$13 26	
Barney Coal Co., coal .....	23 25	
H. W. Wilson, binding .....	11 50	
Edward Whiting, repairs to ceiling .....	150 00	
Lester Hill, wiring .....	1 00	
Verena Daley, salary, librarian .....	225 00	
Remington Rand .....	9 00	
Personal Book Shop, books .....	81 18	
H. J. George, insurance .....	60 00	
Carl Taft, wood .....	5 00	
Cahill's News Agency, magazines .....	32 00	
Nancy Dudley, janitor service .....	52 00	
Louis Bronson, repairs to chimney .....	11 81	
		\$675 00

FLETCHER FUND EXPENDITURES.

Expended .....	\$110 81	
		\$110 81

UNPAID BILLS.

Louis Bronson .....	\$8 19	
H. J. George .....	34 44	

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
Finance Committee.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

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### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY:—

The circulation for the year (96 days) was 11054 volumes. The largest given out in one day was 195, the smallest 21, the average 115. The circulation by classes was as follows: Fiction, 7825; Magazines, 2163; Biography, 290; Travel, 119; History, 172; Literature, 158; Useful and Fine Arts, 156; Science, 22; all others 149.

There are 816 volumes in the library. 174 were added this year. 63 were bought by the town, 77 with the Fletcher Fund, 28 by the Massachusetts Division of Public Libraries and 6 by gifts.

The library subscribes to the American, American Boy, American Home, Boy's Life, Child Life, Children's Playmate Magazine, Collier's, Current History, Good Housekeeping, Harper's Monthly, Instructor, Ladies' Home Journal, Popular Mechanics, Reader's Digest, Life, McCall's, National Geographic, Parent's Magazine, Saturday Evening Post, Woman's Home Companion. Dumb Animals, Elk's, Specialty Salesman are given.

\$7.52 was received in fines during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

VERENA R. DALEY,

Librarian.

January 1, 1939.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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### TO THE CITIZENS OF MENDON:

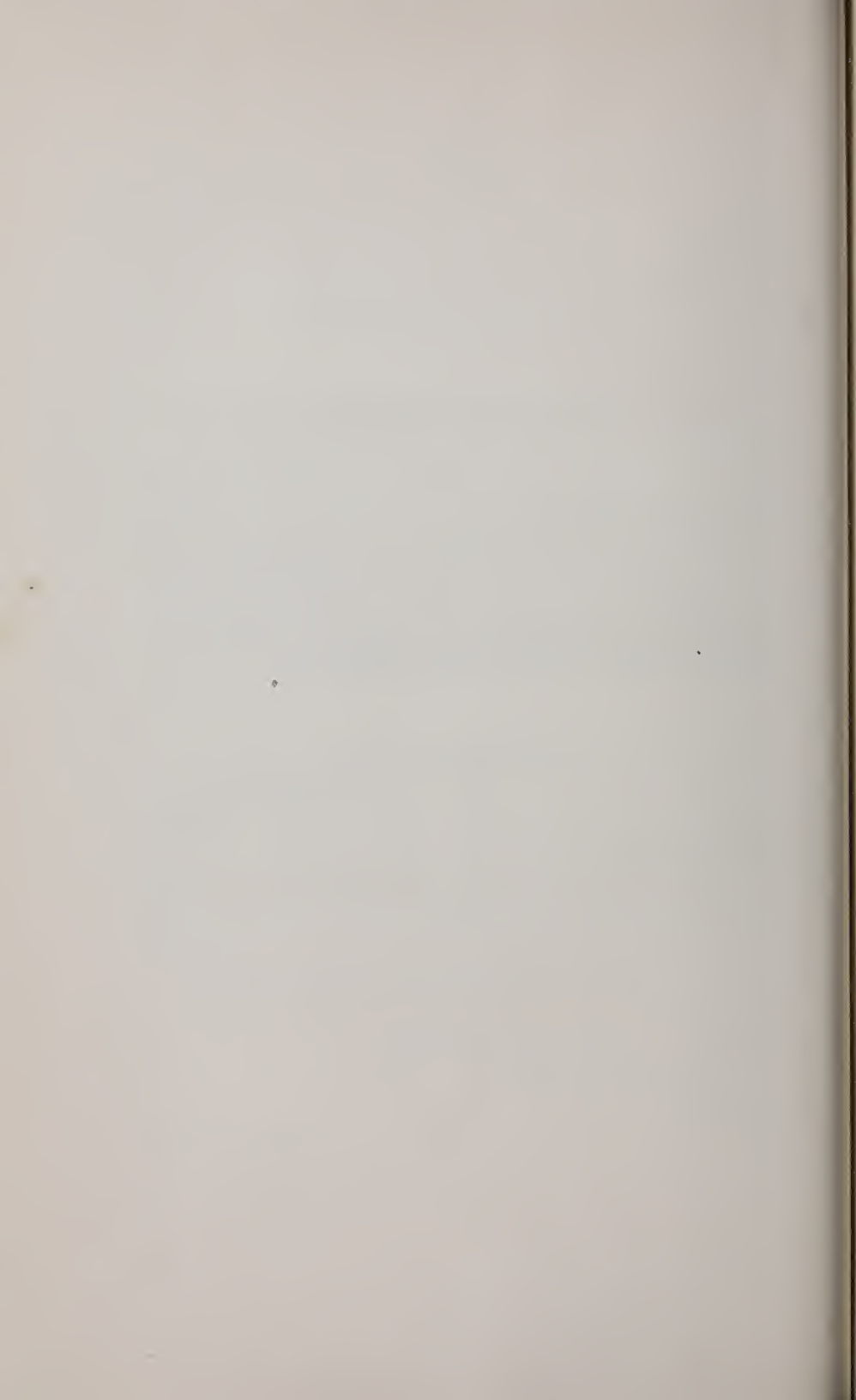
Pursuant to Chapter 41, Section 50, of the General Laws, I have examined and checked the accounts of the various Town Officers receiving and disbursing Municipal funds for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1938, and find their accounts correctly cast and vouchers carefully filed.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. A. BARRY,

Auditor.

January 18, 1939.



# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

## TOWN OF MENDON

## MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1938



## SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT.

### RECEIPTS.

General Appropriation .....	\$18,821 67	
Dog Tax, 1938 .....	322 33	
Total Receipts .....		\$19,144 00
Total Expenditures .....	\$18,430 56	
Balance .....		\$713 44

### REIMBURSEMENTS.

General School Fund, Part 1 .....	\$1,825 00	
General School Fund, Part 2 .....	2,466 72	
Superintendent's Salary .....	773 33	
Tuition from State .....	207 83	
Tuition from City of Boston .....	40 20	
Tuition from Industrial School .....	66 27	
High School Grant .....	707 14	
Total Reimbursement .....		\$6,086 49

### TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS.

Total Expenditures .....	\$18,430 56	
Reimbursements .....	6,086 49	
Net Cost by Taxation .....		\$12,344 07

### EXPENDITURES.

Superintendent's Salary .....	\$969 97
Superintendent's Expenses .....	167 99

Salaries of Teachers .....	\$9,495 08	
Textbooks .....	157 72	
School Supplies .....	301 52	
Janitor's Wages .....	1,291 60	
Miscellaneous Operation .....	339 18	
Fuel .....	599 14	
Repairs and Replacements .....	298 18	
New Equipment .....	548 84	
Health .....	378 00	
Transportation .....	3,147 20	
Insurance .....	736 14	
Total Expenditures .....		\$18,430 56

# SCHOOL DIRECTORY, 1938—1939.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Ernest E. Souls, Chairman .....	Term Expires 1940
Donald B. Lowell, Secretary .....	Term Expires 1941
Silas Dudley .....	Term Expires 1939

Regular meetings held at the Center School building on the first Monday of each month at 7.30 P. M.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—JULES I. PHILIE, A. B.

Office—Bellingham High School, South Bellingham

Telephone, Woonsocket 237

The Superintendent may be met every Wednesday morning between 9 and 12 at the Mendon Centre High School or by appointment at any other convenient time.

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

K. A. Campbell, M. D. .... Telephone, Milford, 102

## SCHOOL NURSES.

Helen C. Grady, R. N. .... Milford District Nursing Association  
 Mildred Salmond, R. N., Assistant ..... Telephone, Milford 862.

# TEACHERS.

## Name.

## Subject or Grade.

## Preparation.

Degrees Yrs. Ser.  
or Yrs. in Town

## HIGH SCHOOL.

Henry P. Clough, Principal	Math., Science, French	Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University	B.S. Eleventh Ed.M.
Helen Wannamaker	English, Latin	Tufts College	A.B. First
Frances White	Commercial, History	Salem Teachers' College	B.S. First
Jane Sroczyński	Domestic Science	Mary Washington State Teachers' College	B.S. Second
Orilla F. Park	Grades 5 and 6	Castleton Normal, Vermont,	Three Thirteenth
Mildred Collins	Grades 4 and 5	Lowell Teachers' College	B.S. Second
Alice Comer	Grades 2 and 3	Lowell Teachers' College	B.S. First
Marjorie Horne	Grades 1 and 2	Boston University	B.S. First
David N. Gellatly	Music Supervisor	Boston Conservatory of Music—Private Lessons	Grad. Third

JANITOR.

Raymond Barrows ..... Center School

TRANSPORTATION AGENTS.

Harold C. Barrows  
Kenneth Taft

TRUANT OFFICER.

Harold C. Barrows

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM  
JANUARY, 1939 TO JUNE, 1940.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Open January 3, 1939  
Close April 14, 1939  
Open April 24, 1939  
Close June 23, 1939  
Open September 6, 1939  
Close December 22, 1939  
Open January 2, 1940  
Close April 12, 1940  
Open April 22, 1940  
Close June 14, 1940

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Open January 3, 1939  
Close February 17, 1939  
Open February 27, 1939  
Close April 14, 1939  
Open April 24, 1939  
Close June 9, 1939  
Open September 6, 1939  
Close December 22, 1939  
Open January 2, 1940  
Close February 16, 1940  
Open February 26, 1940  
Close April 12, 1940  
Open April 22, 1940  
Close May 31, 1940

HOLIDAYS

October 12  
November 11  
November 23-24  
April 19  
May 30

## AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL.

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September.

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 REPORT OF SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS.

OCTOBER, 1938.

Number of pupils examined .....	276
Number found defective in eyesight .....	25
Number found defective in hearing .....	none
Number of parents or guardians notified .....	25





## REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MENDON:

In reviewing another school year as members of your committee, we look back with pleasure and satisfaction on the completion of our new High School completely modern and adequately equipped. There is no doubt that the new school is a decided asset to the Town, as it makes for better education and citizenship for our young people for years to come.

The closing of the East Mendon Grade School has made it possible to centralize our school activities in our new school building, making for better administration and economical operation of our school system.

We are sure the students of East Mendon are benefiting by the change.

There is full co-operation between your committee and Superintendent to raise our schools to the highest possible standard within our means.

Your committee has made every effort to keep costs of school administration as low as possible, keeping in mind to maintain as high a standard in its teaching force as it was able to obtain. By very close supervision of our expenditures we have kept within our appropriation during the year 1938, the Town of Mendon has expended under the direction of the school committee \$18,430.56 from an appropriation of \$19,144.00 leaving a balance of \$713.44 to be turned back to the Town.

The School Committee sincerely thanks the citizens of the Town for their moral and financial support during the past year.

Distribution of accounts and other school department information can be obtained from the Superintendent's report, which follows.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST E. SOULS,

Chairman.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MENDON:

GENTLEMEN:

I hereby submit to you my first report as Superintendent of Schools for your consideration along with the reports of the Principal of the High School, the Supervisor of Music, and the School Nurse. In view of the fact that I have been here only since last August, you will find that the report is brief yet concise. I will endeavor to picture for you, as clearly as possible, what I have seen and what has been done during my short stay here. I will also take the liberty of presenting to you some of the plans that I have for the future. The people of Mendon are fortunate, indeed, in having a centralized school unit in which are found all the school children of the community. The rural school has served a noble purpose in the past, yet it has out-lived its usefulness. The advantages of having all the pupils under one roof are numerous. If we are to educate children to enjoy more fruitful lives, we must, at all times, endeavor to raise the standards of their social lives by bringing all the children into closer social relations. In Mendon we have raised the standard of this social life to a high level by grouping them into one large school organization. If we consider the academic side of this question, we observe that they have been given greater educational facilities to work with. I sincerely feel that the people of Mendon ought to congratulate themselves and ought to feel gratified in knowing that they have such a splendid centralized school.

It will be interesting to note that there are enrolled this year in the Mendon Centre School 165 boys and 116 girls, giving us a total of 272 pupils. This is an increase of 11 pupils over the enrollment of 1937.

In regards to homework, I think that the ideal situation in the homes today for real concentration and study does not exist. If we but realize that today practically every home has its radio, its parties, social callers and other family group-activities, we must come to the conclusion that it is both unfair and inexpedient to ask and to expect a child to do from two to three hours of homework every night. An ideal situation for proper study in the home would be a quiet room set aside in which the child could isolate himself and in which he could do real thinking. This condition does not exist in all homes today. With these thoughts in mind I have asked all the teachers to devote the latter part of each recitation to what is known as "supervised study." During this period of time the pupils are to begin to do their home assignments. While they are doing this homework, the teachers are in the classroom with them and are available to assist all the pupils individually so that the pupils will have an opportunity to ask innumerable questions pertaining to the subject matter. The amount of time given to supervised study is so allotted that by the time the recitation period is over, each pupil will have accomplished at least  $\frac{1}{3}$  of his homework for the next day. When the pupil finds himself at home with at least  $\frac{1}{3}$  of his homework accomplished and corrected with the assistance of his teacher this in itself is an incentive to the child to complete his homework by himself.

While this report is being printed your Superintendent with the help of Mr. Clough, the Principal, and the teachers are preparing a course of study. There is no course of study at the present in Mendon and I feel that it is desirable and necessary to have one. The purpose of this course of study is to unify all subject matter and to avoid omissions and overlapping of the various subjects. In the future the teachers

will have definite information to guide them in their various classes in such a way that they will know how much of each subject they will have to cover from January to June. This course of study ought to be completed and printed within a few weeks. I feel that it will be a valuable asset to the school.

In conclusion I wish to thank the members of the School Committee and all other school officials for their hearty co-operation and assistance in providing for the children of Mendon the best type of education available.

Respectfully submitted,

JULES I. PHILIE,

Superintendent of Schools.

Since September we have been unfortunate in having three resignations among which are the following:

Miss Dorothy Covell, teacher of Commercial subjects, replaced by Miss Frances White.

Miss Ethel Benson, teacher of grades 2 and 3, replaced by Miss Alice Comer.

Miss Lucille Small, teacher of grade 1, replaced by Miss Marjorie Horne.

We are very sorry to lose these teachers yet we have been very careful in filling the positions to the end that these changes have not been detrimental to the pupils.

In health education we have had the skin test, the Tuberculosis clinic, the X-Ray clinic at the Hopedale High School and the regular physical examinations.



You will find an Age-Grade Chart of all the pupils of the building on another page of this report. I am happy to note that the group of over-age pupils is very small, the percentage being 6.6. You will also notice, according to the financial report, that the net cost by taxation in running the schools in the year 1938 was \$111.38 less than that of 1937. This is the lowest minimum cost yet on record which proves that our schools have been operated at a minimum cost to the taxpayer.



## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

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TO MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit my annual report as Principal of the Mendon High School.

Completion of the new school building and the thorough renovation of the wooden section have entirely transformed the physical appearance of the school plant during the past year. The changes have been so extensive that there is little remaining which reminds one of the older structure. Excellent classrooms of sufficient size and number to accommodate all pupils, have made possible the reunion of the entire school population in one building. Improved facilities particularly in the high school have allowed a better internal organization which should be advantageous to all concerned. The Town of Mendon and its people can very well be proud of their new school. It is a pleasant privilege to work in such a building and it should prove to be a source of inspiration to pupils and teachers alike.

High School activities have been carried on with unusual success when considered in the light of the restrictions and congestion necessitated by the building operations of the past year.

Six pupils were graduated June 17, 1938, at exercises held in the Mendon Unitarian Church: Matilda E. Allegrezza, Ruth L. Lee, Flora M. Leoncini, Florence A. Noyes, Myrtle A. Thomas, Esther K. Trott.

The Annual Prize Speaking Contest was held in the Town Hall, May 20, 1938. Ten students availed themselves of the opportunity of this contest. Prizes were awarded as follows: First Prize—Nancy R. Magliocca; Second Prize—Peter Oppewal; Third Prize—Dorcas M. Daley.

The Class of 1939 gave the annual senior play at the Town Hall, December 2, 1938. A comedy, A Good Egg, was presented in a very creditable manner by all those having a part in the production.

The school paper, The Netmocke Quill, continues to operate on a financially self sufficient basis. The work of the orchestra and chorus group has been continued, with each contributing to the programs of prize speaking and graduation. A schedule of educational films has been arranged and is now being shown with the motion picture projector.

As a result of a most satisfactory system of class dues instituted three years ago, the present senior class has been able to secure the necessary funds for the annual Washington trip. This task has been accomplished without making continuous appeals to the community for support of numerous fund-raising activities. The size of the class this year is such that, under the old system, a trip to Washington would not have been possible for the Class of 1939.

The school acknowledges with gratitude the gift of a beautiful American flag and flag pedestal from the Women's Auxiliary of the Organization of the Sons of Veterans. This flag was presented to the school at appropriate exercises November 10, 1938.

Two new features are being introduced into the high school program. Several school clubs have been organized and a program of guidance is in the process of development.

A modest program of school clubs has been started in response to an apparent interest in them. There are many reasons which can be advanced to support this feature of

school life. Among the most important is the opportunity afforded for widening the range of interests of pupils and for strengthening those interests which pupils already have. Any part of school activity which contributes to the development of worthy interests should be provided for and encouraged.

To discuss guidance as something relatively new in school life is somewhat misleading for the aims and purposes of the guidance movement are those which teachers have attempted to accomplish for a long time. To give a definite place to guidance in the school program is only to make more effective what has been done in the past in a somewhat less definite and concrete manner. Guidance is based on the fact that pupils need help in choosing courses, in making plans for the future, in preparing for a position, and in making adjustments within the school itself. To the end that some of these things may be done more efficiently, provision is being made to improve high school guidance.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere appreciation and that of the teachers to the Superintendent of Schools, Members of the School Committee, and to the members of the community for their hearty co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Principal.

MENDON HIGH SCHOOL  
PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST  
MENDON TOWN HALL, MAY 20, 1938

8.00 O'Clock

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Winding the Maypole

Grade Pupils

America's Responsibility and Opportunity  
for World Peace

*Elliott*

Peter Oppewal

Two Noblemen

*Littleton*

Clayton A. Longton

The Awful Fate of Melpomenus Jones

*Leacock*

Warren L. Daley

Ma's Berth-Night

*Black*

Dorothy Oppewal

Group of Songs

Grade Pupils

A Football Romance

*Alexander*

Ruth E. Ellison

The Death of Madame Defarge

*Dickens*

E. Jane Coleman

Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata	<i>Anonymous</i>
Nancy R. Magliocca	
Dutch Folk Dance	
Grade Pupils	
Liberty and Union Inseparable	<i>Webster</i>
Elliott B. Taft	
Aunt Effie Goes Horseback Riding	<i>McMahon</i>
Dorcas Daley	
Armaments for Peace	<i>Breen</i>
Robert D. Swanson	
Selections	
Brass Ensemble	
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Decision of Judges	

# GRADUATION EXERCISES OF MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

UNITARIAN CHURCH

FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 1938, 8 P. M.

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## Orchestra Selections

- |     |                    |                  |
|-----|--------------------|------------------|
| (a) | Overture—Columbia  | <i>Zamecnik</i>  |
| (b) | March—Inauguration | <i>McCaughey</i> |

## Invocation

Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain

## Salutatory and Essay—The Historical Background of the Constitutional Convention

Matilda E. Allegrezza

## Essay—The Men Who Framed the Constitution

Esther K. Trott

## Songs

- |     |                            |               |
|-----|----------------------------|---------------|
| (a) | Yo Ho! For the Rolling Sea | <i>O'Hara</i> |
|     | High School Chorus         |               |
| (b) | Cradle Song                | <i>Brahms</i> |
|     | Girls' Chorus              |               |

## Essay—The Constitution of the United States

Flora M. Leoncini

Class History and Prophecy

Florence A. Noyes

Solo—"Anchored"

*Watson*

Edgar L. White, Jr.

Essay—The Responsibility of the Individual Citizen

Under the Constitution

Myrtle A. Thomas

Essay and Valedictory—The Future of the Constitution

Ruth L. Lee

Song—"Oh, Italia, Italia, Beloved"

*Donizetti*

High School Chorus

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Ernest E. Souls

Chairman of School Committee

Benediction

Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain

Processional—March Romaine

*Gounod*

Mr. David N. Gellatly



## SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

### FOR 1938.

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TO MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit the annual school nurse's report for the year ending December 31, 1938.

When in session, the schools were visited on Tuesday of each week; Center School and Town Hall in the morning, and East Mendon in the afternoon up to September, when the new Cnner building was opened to accommodate all Mendon school children.

The fourth annual School Chest Clinic was in session in January. Thirty-three children were skin-tested, the first step of the clinic, and eight of these were examined and X-Rayed.

In March and April a Toxoid Clinic was in progress in the schools under the direction of Dr. Campbell, assisted by Miss Salmond. Three treatments for the prevention of diphtheria were given to seventy-one children. A few children who started the treatment late were transported to Dr. Campbell's office by the nurse to finish the series.

The annual Dental Clinic opened in Center school, April 25, with Dr. Fielding of the County Extension Service in charge. The clinic was in session daily, when schools were in session, for three weeks. The East Mendon children were transported to and from the clinic.

The following is a summary of the work done at this clinic. Number of permanent teeth filled, 171; no. of temporary teeth filled, 126; no. of permanent teeth extracted, 13; no. of temporary teeth extracted, 60; no. of cleanings done, 71.

There were 131 mouths inspected by Dr. Fielding, and reports of defects were sent to parents. 92 consent slips were signed, and of the 86 children who had work done, 72 mouths were completed.

The school children were weighed and measured three times during the year, and weight tags were sent to parents.

General inspections of the children were done periodically throughout the school year, checking on cleanliness and skin conditions.

Inspections for disease were made whenever necessary.

The following is a summary of the work done by the nurse within the school buildings. General inspections of pupils, 537; classroom inspections of pupils, 692; inspections for disease, 204; teeth inspections, 348; pupils given health advice, 296; pupils excluded as suspicious, 14; health talks to classes, 27; talks with teachers regarding pupils, 95; pupils given first aid treatment, 10; home visits made regarding pupil's health, 100.

During the summer, home visits were made to urge the correction of defects found by Dr. Campbell in his 1937 school examination. About 32 of these defects were corrected during the year.

One girl, who is a contact to a case of tuberculosis, was sent to the Sterling Health Camp for the summer through use of the Christmas Seal money.

Twenty-seven home visits were made last summer, checking on children who were to enter school for the first time last September. These visits were to urge parents to have

these children vaccinated early, as well as examined by their family doctor for possible defects that might be corrected before entering school.

The annual physical examination of the school children by Dr. Campbell, assisted by the school nurse, was started in October and finished in December.

The following is a list of defects found. Number of enlarged tonsils, 36; diseased tonsils, 2; heart conditions, 10; children found with cavities of teeth, 28; children with wax in ears, 12; children with anemia, 2; children with adenoids, 1; children with signs of chorea, 1; children with inflamed eyes, 1; bronchitis, 1.

Notices of these defects were sent to parents. Although the teachers do the eye and ear testing and send the notices to parents, the school nurse checks by home visiting to urge corrections.

The school children were quite free from contagious diseases this past year. Two skin diseases, scabies and impetigo, were reported and investigated.

In closing I wish to thank Mr. Gotschall, our former superintendent, and Mr. Philie for their co-operation; the teachers for their assistance and help; the School Committee, Board of Health and Welfare Board for the aid they have given the school nurses; and the parents for their understanding and confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN C. GRADY,

MILDRED L. SALMOND,

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR.

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MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—  
MENDON, MASS.  
Dear Sir:—

I herewith offer my third annual report for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The music in the primary grades is progressing very satisfactorily. At the beginning of the present school year, about two thirds of the first grade children were monotones. This number has been greatly reduced, however, and the general tone of the class vastly improved.

Throughout the upper grades the tone quality is good, and the work in musical theory seems to be understood thoroughly by the children.

During the year, folk dancing and rhythmic drills have been used in grades one to six. This type of work has helped to develop the sense of rhythm in all the children who have taken part.

The High School chorus is well balanced this year, the quality of the boys' voices being especially fine. We may look forward to very artistic singing at the graduation exercises of 1939.

I wish to thank you, the School Committee, Principal, and teachers for the interest shown in the music of our schools.

Sincerely yours,

DAVID N. GELLATLY,

Supervisor of Music.

# TOWN WARRANT.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Worcester, ss.*

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of  
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday, the sixth day of March A. D., 1939, punctually at nine o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:—A Town Clerk, for one year; one Selectman, for three years; one Assessor, for three years; a Town Treasurer, for one year; a Collector of Taxes, for one year; one Auditor, for one year; one Constable for one year; one Tree Warden, for one year; one Trustee of the Taft Public Library, for two years; one Park Commissioner for three years; all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.

Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning January 1, 1939.

Article 6. To determine the compensation of the Tax Collector for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1939, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

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Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for Memorial Day services and appoint a committee to expend the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the care and improvement of the Old Cemetery, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the improvement and repairs of highways, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works as provided by Chapter 81 of the General Laws as amended, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for Highways under Chapter 90 of the General Laws said money to be used in conjunction with allotments from the State and County, or take any action in relation thereto.



Article 12. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the maintenance of all Chapter 90 roads, said money to be used in conjunction with allotments by the State and County for the same purpose; or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$719.09 for the operation and repair of Town machinery; said amount to be taken from the Road Machinery Fund; or take any action in regard to the same.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise any sum of money for the care of Soldiers' and Sailors' graves or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors, with the approval of the Commissioner of Corporation and Taxation, to use such an amount of the free cash in the Treasury as in their judgment should be used, to reduce the tax levy of 1939.

Article 16. To see what action the Town will take regarding any legal proceedings that may be brought by or against the Town.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise any sum of money to provide work relief, and to hire equipment and purchase necessary material to be used in connection with the Works Progress Administration projects.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Dog License Refund received from the Worcester County in 1938 to be used for General School expenses in 1939 or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale, by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town fourteen days at least be-



fore the sale, properly taken by the Town under tax title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to prescribe the manner of giving notice of Town meetings by specifying the number of places where warrants shall be posted.

Article 21. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$627.00 for street lights for the ensuing year.

Article 22. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the tuition at the Worcester Industrial Trade School, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$1,624.88 for the Worcester County Hospital apportionment for Tuberculosis, or take any action in relation to the same.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon and causing a copy to be published once in the Milford Daily News, a newspaper published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

HAROLD METCALF,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
WILLIAM R. BOWEN,  
Selectmen of Mendon.





# ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

## TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

## TOWN OF MENDON

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE

Municipal Year Ending, December 31, 1939

273RD ANNUAL REPORT

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## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

1939.

## DOGS LICENSED IN 1939.

138 Males at \$2.00 each .....	\$276 00	
26 Females at \$5.00 each .....	130 00	
38 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each .....	76 00	
3 Kennel licenses at \$25.00 each .....	75 00	
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		\$557 00
Less Clerk's fees, 205 licenses at 20c		41 00
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Cash paid Town Treasurer as per Monthly return .....		\$516 00

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM  
JANUARY 1, 1939 TO DECEMBER 1, 1939.

Series 1	Resident Citizen Fishing	44	\$2 00	\$88 00
2	Resident Citizen Hunting	51	2 00	102 00
3	Resident Citizen Sporting	34	3 25	110 50
4	Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing	33	1 25	41 25
6	Resident Citizen Trapping	1	5 25	5 25
7	Resident Citizen Sporting Free	8	.....	.....
10	Non-Resident Citizen Fishing	2	5 25	10 50
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				\$357 50
	Fees retained by Clerk	165	25	41 25
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	Amount paid Division of Fisheries and Game as per Monthly reports			\$316 25

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1939.

Date of Birth 1939	Name of Child	Parents with Maiden Name of Mother
Feb. 14	Linda Louise Carleton	Alfred L. and Helga E. Carlstrom
Mar. 1	Bentley	Reginald and Catherine Gardner
Mar. 16	Elizabeth Jane Perkins	Milton and Bertha Novak
Apr. 8	Wallace Richard Neely	George and Florence Barrows
May 22	David M. Gellatly	David and Martha E. Mears
May 23	Irving Carroll Dudley	Raymond C. and Martha Thompson
May 25	Norman Silbor	Hurley and Florence Thibeault
May 26	Mary Frances Lamothe	Aram and Blanche Counter
June 13	Barbara Jane Fairbanks	Harold and Helen O'Donnell
June 29	Barbara Elaine Rogers	Leonard and Bertha Martin
June 30	Dorothy Jane Closson	Alfred and Sadie Hammond
July 3	Hazard	Richard and Anna O'Donnell
July 5	Ernest Walter Souls	Ernest E. and Florence Bergston
July 21	Paul Alfred Roy	Wilfred and Beatrice Garceau
July 24	Randall Lee Faneuf	Allan and Irene Levesque
Aug. 14	Edward Barry Neal	Charles F. and Lillian R. Barry
Sept. 12	Janis Ida Bracci	Willard and Louise Trematore
Oct. 10	Patricia Ann Gardner	Henry P. and Thelma Davies
Oct. 14	Marilyn Jane Mantell	Andrew and Leslie M. Tucker
Nov. 1	Carol Ann Babbitt	Samuel M. and Ida May Guyette
Nov. 2	Joan Silvia Bosma	Henry and Wilma Visser
Nov. 13	Theresa Mae Wiersma	Cornelius and Annie DeVries
Dec. 2	Allan Fred Hartshorn	Frederick and Loleita Belcher
Dec. 8	William Henry Yanski	Walter and Stella Hammond

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1939.

Date of Marriage 1939	Place of Marriage	Names	Residence
Apr. 1	Uxbridge, Mass.	Homer LaFrancois	Uxbridge, Mass.
Apr. 15	Bellingham, Mass.	Doris Hodgkins	Mendon, Mass.
Apr. 19	Whitinsville, Mass.	Henry J. Roy	Mendon, Mass.
May 12	Medway, Mass.	Nellie M. Murray	Bellingham, Mass.
June 24	Hopedale, Mass.	George Wiersma	Mendon, Mass.
July 1	Uxbridge, Mass.	Jennie Oosterman	Whitinsville, Mass.
July 5	Plymouth, Mass.	Charles E. Larking	Mendon, Mass.
Sept. 25	Hopedale, Mass.	Lois E. Wentzell	Bellingham, Mass.
Oct. 7	Milford, Mass.	Edward J. Kopeski	Millville, Mass.
Oct. 7	Milford, Mass.	Rita M. Tetreault	Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 14	Milford, Mass.	Arthur C. Silbey, Jr.	Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 21	Millville, Mass.	Hazel M. Palmer	Uxbridge, Mass.
Nov. 18	Milford, Mass.	Harold Metcalf	Mendon, Mass.
Nov. 27	Framingham, Mass.	Lucille B. Levesque	Uxbridge, Mass.
Nov. 28	Weston, Mass.	Samuel M. Babbitt	Mendon, Mass.
Dec. 25	Millville, Mass.	Ida G. Latamore	Milford, Mass.
Dec. 30	Milford, Mass.	Veto A. Anesta	Mendon, Mass.
Dec. 31	Malden, Mass.	Emily M. Cenedella	Milford, Mass.
		Albert Plechinger	Mendon, Mass.
		Marguerite I. Cole	Mendon, Mass.
		Martin J. Ploof	Mendon, Mass.
		Mildred E. Miller	Mendon, Mass.
		Harry C. York, Jr.	Mendon, Mass.
		Marie L. Soderlund	Millville, Mass.
		Edward C. Goss	Mendon, Mass.
		Margaret M. Reilly	Blackstone, Mass.
		Joseph S. Leoncini	Mendon, Mass.
		Anita G. Harback	Grafton, Mass.
		Charles F. Bagg	Mendon, Mass.
		Frances M. Garland	Weston, Mass.
		Asa Vear	Millville, Mass.
		Marion McCabe	Mendon, Mass.
		Raymond L. Gagne	Mendon, Mass.
		Carmella E. DeLuzia	Milford, Mass.
		Lovett G. Kennedy	Mendon, Mass.
		Margaret L. Eaton	Mendon, Mass.



## DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1939.

Date of Death 1939	Name	Age			Cause of Death
		Y	M	D	
Jan. 28	Gilbert Moses Billings	85	11	21	Bright's Disease
Mar. 28	Sarah C. Gross	48	2	9	Diabetic Gangrene
Mar. 30	Susan Iola (LeSheur) Wheeler	82	11	13	Broncho-pneumonia
Apr. 23	Hanson Leroy Craddock	36	8	9	Combined Sclerosis
May 4	Abbie Quinn	65	0	0	Carcinoma of Stomach
May 30	Maria Christine (Anderson) Malnsten	85	6	13	Arteriosclerosis
June 14	Socrates Samaris	22	0	0	Accidental Drowning
July 6	Laura Ann (Gray) Hersey	85	5	14	Chronic Myocarditis
Aug. 13	Anthony Travers	29	11	29	Accidental Drowning
Aug. 29	Annie M. (McLaughlin) Boucher	73	0	26	Mitral Insufficiency
Sept. 2	Robert Wright	78	3	27	Cardio vascular renal disease
Oct. 14	Henry George Mitchell	64	2	19	Angina Pectoris
Nov. 20	Rufus Edwin Taft	49	11	5	Coronary Thrombosis
Nov. 22	William Newell Prentiss	73	4	0	Cardio renal vascular disease
Dec. 20	Hattie Everett (Bates) Gaskill	78	6	26	Broncho pneumonia

## NOTICE

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Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the Town Clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete.

Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after the birth in his house shall cause complete notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town in which such child is born. Parents should give this their prompt attention as it is very important and necessary for complete record.

### SOME OF THE MANY

#### REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED.

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Your attention is called to the provisions of Section 36 and 55 of Chapter 207 of the General Laws relating to marriages solemnized out of this state, which are as follows:

"Section 29 of Chapter 151 of the Revised Laws: If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth who return to dwell here they shall, within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage, including the facts relative to marriages, which are required by law, and for neglect thereof shall forfeit ten dollars."

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs three months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's office on or before April 1, 1940.

I take this opportunity in wishing the Townspeople much prosperity during the year 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1940.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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The Treasurer of the Town of Mendon submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1939.

The Treasurer debits himself with receiving the following sums:—

Cash balance Jan. 1, 1939 .....	\$4,343 44
Revenue Notes .....	25,600 00
Town Clerk, Dog Licenses fees .....	516 00
License fees .....	123 50
Director of Standards, license .....	6 00
County Treasurer, Dog Licence fees ....	334 44
Town of Medway, Public Welfare .....	256 00
School Fund, Part II .....	2,231 53
State Treasurer, Income Tax .....	4,188 95
State Treasurer, for Indigent Persons .....	69 00
Town of Foxboro, Public Welfare .....	37 56
Farmers & Mechanics Savings .....	1 34
George A. Johnson, rent from Town Hall .....	286 00
Town of Hopedale, Old Age Assistance .....	40 00
State Treasurer, Old Age Assistance ....	3,760 00
Town of Milford, Old Age Assistance .....	42 50
State Treasurer, Aid to Dependent Children .....	349 00
State Treasurer, Temporary Aid .....	2,170 98
State Treasurer, Forestry Dept. ....	50 00
State Treasurer, Inspector of Animals .....	60 00
Town of Northbridge, Public Welfare .....	25 30
City of Boston, School Dept. ....	43 18
Town of Upton, Public Welfare .....	133 64
City of Holyoke, Old Age Assistance ....	44 75

State Treasurer, Tuition of Children ....	241 49
Barrett Co., Discount .....	5 98
Town of Hopedale, use of Road Mch.	50 50
State Treasurer, School Supt. ....	664 45
State Treasurer, Mass. Training School	97 60
State Treasurer, Dept. Public Health	144 29
State Treasurer, Income Tax, Chap. 362	114 96
State Treasurer, Corporation Taxes ....	664 07
State Treasurer, Veterans' Exemption	33 36
State Treasurer, High School Tuition	682 43
Felix Besette, Hay Scale fees .....	5 40
Walter Taylor, Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	8 20
Verena R. Daley, Library Fines .....	10 43
Town of Millville, use of Road Mch. ....	355 56
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 3146 .....	62 51
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 6402 .....	807 75
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 6474 .....	3,716 02
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Chap. 232 .....	3,668 87
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 3322 .....	5,400 00
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 6962 .....	1,200 00
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract 6402 .....	807 75
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract 6474 .....	2,092 26
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, Contract 6962 .....	1,200 00
Road Mch. Reserve Fund .....	235 00
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant .....	5,247 36
Mothers' Aid, U. S. Grant .....	265 46

Arthur P. Dalton, Collector of Taxes.

1937 Property Taxes .....	3,380 34	
1938 Excise Taxes .....	60 11	
1938 Property Taxes .....	8,642 76	
1939 Excise Taxes .....	2 556 98	
1939 Poll Taxes .....	849 77	
1939 Property Taxes .....	28,063 99	
Other receipts .....	50	
Total receipts .....		\$116,049 26

### AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

#### DR.

To cash in Worcester County Institu- tion .....	\$670 20	
To cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	742 79	
To cash, interest, Worcester County Institution .....	16 86	
To cash, interest, Milford Savings Bank .....	18 31	
		<hr/> \$1,448 16

#### CR.

By cash in Worcester County Institu- tion .....	\$687 06	
By cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	731 10	
By one Town Order .....	30 00	
		<hr/> \$1,448 16

The Treasurer Credits himself with paying the following amounts:—

Incidentals .....	\$2,932 18
Salaries .....	1,721 03
Snow Removal .....	2,000 00
Moth Suppression .....	498 20
Officers' Bonds .....	104 50
Soldiers' Relief .....	219 50



Health .....	147 66
Tree Warden .....	494 09
Police .....	500 00
Interest .....	76 72
Library .....	667 93
Fire Department .....	688 63
Forest Fires .....	376 55
Support of Schools .....	18,322 35
General Repairs .....	800 00
Welfare .....	9,298 63
Old Age Assistance .....	11,096 23
Mothers' Aid .....	1,660 50
Park Department .....	68 75
Memorial Day .....	74 70
Chapter 81 .....	9,000 00
Chapter 90 Maintenance .....	3,959 01
Gas Tax Refund .....	3,666 63
WPA .....	2,500 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves .....	20 00
Motor Tax Refund .....	42 98
Street Lights .....	627 00
Property Tax Refund .....	34 51
Road Mch. Account .....	718 42
Flood Fund .....	5,410 65
Trade School .....	9 20
County Hospital .....	1,624 88
Millville Road .....	2,100 00
Northbridge Road, 1938 Account .....	11 97
Millville Road, County and State .....	5,000 00
State Tax .....	3,960 00
County Tax .....	2,202 56
Interest on School House Notes .....	675 00
County Treasurer, Dog Tax .....	516 00
Director of Accounts .....	8 00
Auditing Municipal Accounts .....	264 72
State Parks and Reservations .....	65 54
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes .....	10,600 00



School House Project .....	3,542 21	
School House Notes .....	2,000 00	
Total Payments .....		\$110,307 43
Cash balance Jan. 1, 1940 .....		5,741 83
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		\$116,049 26

## FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,195 43	
To Interest received .....	129 48	
	<hr/>	\$5,324 91

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,227 60	
By Cash paid, one Library Order .....	97 31	
	<hr/>	\$5,324 91

## SCHOOL HOUSE PROJECT, 1395, D. S.

## DR.

To Cash balance Jan. 1, 1939 .....	\$587 30	
To refund from Town of Mendon .....	3,542 21	
To Cash from U. S. Treasury .....	5,462 67	
To Cash Home National Bank, Note ....	6,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$15,592 18

## CR.

By Cash paid, Engineering Charges ....	\$45 00	
By Cash Paid, Preliminary Expenses....	5 00	
By Cash Paid, Furniture and Equip- ment .....	1,002 83	
By Cash Paid, Construction Charges	8,004 93	
By Cash Paid, Home National Bank Note .....	6,000 00	

By Cash Paid, Home National Bank,		
Interest .....	13 73	
By Cash, balance Dec. 31, 1939 .....	520 69	
	<hr/>	\$15,592 18

RESERVE FUND.		\$1,000 00
Transferred to Snow Department .....	\$500 00	
Transferred to Soldiers' Relief .....	119 50	
Transferred to Welfare Department ....	350 00	
Transferred to Old Age Assistance .....	9 47	
Transferred to Officers' Salaries .....	21 03	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 00

TAX TITLES.		
Seven Tax Titles .....		\$415 05
One Tax Title in Land Court .....		353 56

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES U. GASKILL,

Treasurer.

December 31, 1939.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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### INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation .....	\$3,000 00
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#### CARE AND OPERATION OF TOWN HALL.

George Johnson, janitor .....	\$150 00	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	99	
Wor. Sub. El. Co., lights .....	74 20	
William Bowen, wood .....	26 00	
Barney Coal Co., coal .....	264 00	
Bradbury-Locke, supplies .....	4 60	
H. M. Curtiss, pipe .....	4 08	
H. Chadbourne, supplies .....	2 67	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	5 77	
Linwood Hammond, services .....	3 00	
Repairs to drain .....	28 50	
Charles E. Clarke, pump repairs .....	14 35	
		\$578 16

#### CARE AND OPERATION OF RECORD ROOM.

Kello Oil Co., repairs to burner .....	\$3 25	
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	90	
Louis Marlow, janitor services .....	36 50	
Clark-Shaughnessey, oil .....	87 26	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., toll calls .....	63 13	
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	3 83	
		\$194 87

#### BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS.

Leonard Burr .....	\$5 00
Robert McTurk .....	5 00

Elgar Bartlett .....	5 00	
Kinsley Barnes .....	5 00	
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		\$20 00

## TOWN CLERK.

Robinson Seal Co. ....	42 60	
Swearing in Town Officers .....	4 50	
Supplies .....	1 30	
Charlescraft Press, printing .....	8 35	
George W. Billings, printing .....	17 00	
Expenses to meetings .....	27 50	
Births, deaths and marriage recordings	78 25	
Transportation .....	3 00	
Postage .....	4 02	
Toll calls .....	2 80	
		<hr/>
		\$189 32

## TAX COLLECTOR.

Stamps .....	\$45 00	
Use of auto .....	10 00	
Barre Gazette, printing .....	19 40	
Hobbs & Warren, printing .....	9 66	
Henry Clough, supplies .....	75	
G. M. Billings, printing .....	19 75	
Forbes Press, tax forms .....	6 00	
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		\$110 56

## TOWN TREASURER.

Making Schedule A .....	\$10 00	
Postage .....	70 84	
Use of auto .....	65 00	
Registry of Deeds, recording .....	1 51	
Charlescraft Press, envelopes .....	9 25	
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		\$156 60

## INSPECTION OF ANIMALS.

M. U. Gaskill, salary .....	\$120 00	
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## SELECTMEN.

Postage .....	\$20 18	
Expenses to meetings .....	26 00	
Dues for Selectmen's Assoc. ....	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$52 18

## ASSESSORS.

Expenses to meetings .....	\$20 00	
Dues to association .....	3 00	
Carl Taft, use of auto .....	20 00	
Postage .....	4 00	
Hobbs & Warren, printing .....	53 20	
Henry Clough, lists .....	20 00	
Wor. County Abstract Co. abstracts ...	24 42	
Geo. Barnstead, excise cards .....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$145 62

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Walter Taylor, salary .....	\$40 00	
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## DOG OFFICER.

Harold C. Barrows, salary .....	\$10 00	
	<hr/>	\$10 00

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Wor. Registry of Deeds .....	42	
Post 22, G. A. R., 50 flags .....	5 50	
Harold Metcalf, supplies .....	22 00	
H. M. Goodnow, repairs to town pump	4 64	
Felix Bessette, weighing .....	2 70	

Registry of Motor Vehicles, plates .....	2 00	
A. B. Cenedella, expenses .....	267 98	
W. W. Watson, death returns .....	1 50	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	45	
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	2 35	
Wm. R. Bowen, use of auto .....	10 00	
A. Hackenson, labor .....	4 00	
Harold Metcalf, delivering reports .....	10 00	
Harold Metcalf, use of auto .....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$343 54

## MISCELLANEOUS OFFICE EXPENSES.

## SELECTMEN.

Bostitch-Boston Co., stapler .....	\$6 25	
Forbes Press, printing .....	24 60	
Hobbs & Warren, forms .....	90	
Charlescraft Press, town reports .....	207 00	
G. M. Billings, bills .....	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$240 25

## EXPENSES FOR ALL TOWN OFFICERS.

Cahill's News Agency, supplies .....	\$56 56	
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## ADVERTISING.

Milford Daily News, warrants, notices and tax sales .....	\$54 54	
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## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

A. S. Coleman, clerk, salary .....	\$20 00
Kinsley Barnes, salary .....	10 00
Chas. F. Bagg, salary .....	10 00
Joseph McEwen, salary .....	10 00
A. S. Coleman, listing .....	42 75

Kinsley Barnes, listing .....	25 00	
Chas. F. Bagg, listing .....	14 00	
Joseph McEwen, listing .....	8 50	
Clark Printing Co., blanks .....	75	
Robinson Seal Co., listing cards .....	64 76	
	<hr/>	\$205 76

George Insurance Agency .....	\$414 22	
	<hr/>	\$414 22

## SUMMARY.

Appropriation .....	\$3,000 00	
Expended .....	2,932 18	
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Unexpended .....		\$67 82

## WORCESTER TRADE SCHOOL, TUITION.

Appropriation .....		\$9 20
Paid Worcester Trade School .....	\$9 20	
	<hr/>	\$9 20

## RESERVE FUND.

Appropriation .....		\$1,000 00
Expended:		
Transferred to Snow Removal .....	\$500 00	
Transferred to Soldiers' Relief .....	119 50	
Transferred to Welfare Dept. ....	350 00	
Transferred to Salaries of Town Officers .....	21 03	
Transferred to Old Age Assistance ....	9 47	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 00



## SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation .....	\$1,700 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	21 03
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Expenditures .....	\$1,721 03
Arthur P. Dalton, Tax Collector .....	\$435 03
Moses U. Gaskill, Treasurer .....	250 00
Albert S. Coleman, Town Clerk .....	125 00
William R. Bowen, Selectman 2 months, Chairman of Selectmen 10 months, Welfare Board, 1 year .....	143 50
Roy A. Barrows, Selectman, 1 year, Chairman of Welfare, 2 months, Welfare Board, 10 months .....	95 50
Harold Metcalf, Chairman of Selectmen, 2 months, Board of Selectmen, 10 months, Welfare Board, 2 months, Chairman of Welfare Board 10 months .....	167 00
Charles F. Leonard, Clerk of Assessors	250 00
Carl M. Taft, Assessor .....	100 00
Edward T. Whiting, Assessor .....	100 00
Harold C. Barrows .....	25 00
William A. Barry, Auditor .....	25 00
Frank H. Wood, Moderator .....	5 00
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	\$1,721 03

## WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

Appropriation .....	\$1,624 88
Expended:	
Paid County Treasurer	
For care and maintenance .....	\$812 30
Interest on Bonds .....	262 58
Construction .....	550 00
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	\$1,624 88

## STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriation .....		\$627 00
Expended		
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co. ....	\$627 00	
	<hr/>	\$627 00

## SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES.

Appropriated .....		\$20 00
Expended		
Swandale Cemetery Association .....	\$20 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 00

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX REFUNDS.

1938 Taxes .....	\$1 40	
1939 Taxes .....	41 58	
	<hr/>	\$42 98

## REAL ESTATE TAX REFUND.

1939 Taxes .....	\$34 51	
	<hr/>	\$34 51

## MOTH SUPPRESSION.

Appropriated .....		\$500 00
Expended for labor:		
William Coppfer .....	\$42 00	
Napolen Thiebalt .....	48 00	
William Irons .....	56 00	
William Nuttall .....	64 00	
Roscoe Steere .....	64 00	
Kenneth Morrison .....	40 00	
William Munsell .....	64 00	
Chester Hammond .....	24 00	
Ben Levesque .....	8 00	
Clifford Mathewson .....	16 00	

Willard Mathewson .....	24 00	
Willard N. Seibert, Supt. ....	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$490 00

## TRANSPORTATION AND MATERIAL.

Robert M. Donnelly .....	\$6 00	
Frost Insecticide Co. ....	2 20	
	<hr/>	\$8 20
Unexpended .....		1 80
		<hr/>
		\$500 00

## SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation .....	\$100 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	119 50	
	<hr/>	\$219 50

## Expended:

Care of one case .....	\$191 00	
Care of one case .....	4 50	
Transportation charges .....	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$219 50

## PARK DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation .....		\$100 00
Expended for Labor:		
Duncan J. Pond .....	\$57 25	
Alanson Freeman .....	11 50	
Unexpended .....	31 25	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

Expended .....	\$30 00	
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## MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation .....		\$75 00
Expended		
C. C. Shattuck .....	\$10 20	
Johnson Bus Lines .....	10 00	
Nina M. Burr .....	4 50	
Parkinson Bros. ....	5 00	
Lakeside Flower Shop .....	5 00	
J. Frank Leonard .....	5 00	
Walter H. Tillotson Post Legion .....	35 00	
	<hr/>	\$74 70
Unexpended .....		30
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		\$75 00

## BONDS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriated .....		\$108 00
Expended:		
Maryland Casualty Co. ....	\$10 00	
Paul Williams Agency .....	87 00	
Paul Williams Agency .....	7 50	
Unexpended .....	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$108 00

## ASSETS.

Uncollected Taxes:		
1938 Property Tax .....	\$1,838 67	
1939 Excise Tax .....	24 87	
1939 Property .....	10,052 14	
	<hr/>	\$11,915 68
Due from State of Mass. on Highways:		
Millville Road (Special Allotment) ....	\$2,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,500 00

## Due from County of Worcester on Highways:

Millville Road (Special Allotment) ....	\$2,500 00	
		<u>\$2,500 00</u>

## Welfare:

## Due from State of Mass. on Temporary Aid:

1939 Account .....	\$2,587 71	
Due from Town of Medway .....	120 00	
Due from Town of Foxboro .....	126 43	
		<u>\$2,834 14</u>

## Old Age Assistance:

Due from State .....	\$3,837 93	
Due from Federal Grant (Nov.-Dec.) .....	887 00	
Due from other Towns .....	72 17	
		<u>\$4,797 10</u>

## Aid to Dependent Children:

Due from State .....	\$386 17	
Due from Federal Grant .....	84 00	
		<u>\$470 17</u>

## Cash in Hands of Treasurer .....

\$5,741 83	
	<u>\$5,741 83</u>

## Tax Titles:

7 Titles .....	\$415 05	
1 Title in Land Court .....	353 56	
		<u>\$768 61</u>

Total Assets .....		<u>\$31,527 53</u>
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## LIABILITIES.

Due County of Worcester for Construction and Equipment of Worcester Co. Hospital .....	\$4,950 00
Kennedy, Spencer & Co., bonds on School House Addition .....	28,000 00
Home National Bank (Note on anticipation of revenue) .....	18,000 00
	<hr/> \$50,950 00

## LIST OF JURORS.

Samuel W. Wood	Hartford Ave. W. Carpenter
Aldo A. Sabatinelli	Milford Road Contractor
William R. Bowen	Bates Street Farmer
Roscoe Steere	Maple Street Clerk
Ernest E. Soules	Bates Street Pattern Maker
Harold Metcalf	North Avenue Clerk
Walter I. Coffin	Washington Street Salesman
Ellis L. Cook	Bellingham Street Poultryman
George G. Davenport	North Avenue Farmer
Silas H. Dudley	Uxbridge Road Collector
Reuben B. Dalrymple	Hastings Street Retired
Norry J. Daige	Maple Street Shuttle Maker
Roy A. Barrows	Blackstone Street Farmer
John J. O'Sullivan	Thayer Road Poultryman
William F. Irons, Jr.	Main Street Machinist

## SUMMARY.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Incidentals	\$3,000.00	\$2,932.18	\$67.82	
Salaries of Town Officers	\$1,700.00			
Town Appropriation	21.03			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	—			
Reserve Fund	\$1,721.03	1,721.03		
Worcester County Hospital	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Moth Suppression	1,624.88	1,624.88		
Bond of Town Officers	500.00	498.20	1.80	
Soldiers' Relief	108.00	104.50	3.50	
Town Appropriation	100.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	119.50			
	—	219.50		
Board of Health				
Town Appropriation	600.00			
Transferred to Temporary Aid	450.00			
	—			
Police Department	\$150.00	147.66	2.34	
Interest on Loans	500.00	500.00		
Memorial Day	100.00	76.62	23.38	
Park Department	75.00	74.70	.30	
Soldier's and Sailor's Graves	100.00	68.75	31.25	
Tuition Worcester Trade School	20.00	20.00		
	9.20	9.20		



Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Street Lights	627.00	627.00		
Board of Public Welfare				
Town Appropriation	7,500.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	350.00			
Transferred from Old Age Assistance	1,000.00			
Transferred from Board of Health	450.00			
	<u>\$9,300.00</u>	9,298.63	1.37	
Aid to Dependent Children				
Town Appropriation	1,200.00			
Transferred from Old Age Assistance	150.00			
Received from U. S. Grant	234.64			
Overdrawn	75.86			
	<u>\$1,660.50</u>	1,660.50		\$75.86
General Repairs	800.00	800.00		
Bureau of Old Age Assistance				
Town Appropriation	\$7,000.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	9.47			
Received from Federal Grant	5,078.14			
	<u>\$12,087.61</u>			
Transferred to Aid to Dependent Children	150.00			
Transferred to Temporary Aid	1,000.00			
	<u>\$1,150.00</u>			
	<u>\$10,837.61</u>	10,837.61		

## SUMMARY—Continued.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Administration Account for Old Age Assistance Received from Federal Grant	248.29	158.62	89.67	
Chapter 81 Town Appropriation Received from State	\$3,600.00 5,400.00 —	9,000.00		
Chapter 90 Maintenance, 1939 Town Appropriation State Allotment County Allotment	\$1,200.00 1,200.00 1,200.00			
Credit Refund from Barret Co.	5.98	3,605.98		
Chapter 232 Gas Tax Refund State Allotment	\$3,668.87	3,666.63	2.24	
Millville Road Town Sponsored	\$2,100.00	2,100.00		
Millville Road (Special Allotment) State Allotment County Allotment	\$2,500.00 2,500.00	5,000.00		

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Emergency Flood Fund Balance left from last year	5,410.65	5,410.65		
Chapter 90 Maintenance Balance left from 1938	353.03	353.03		
Chapter 90 Construction Balance left from last year	11.97	11.97		
Snow Removal Town Appropriation Transferred from Reserve Fund	\$1,500.00 500.00			
	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	2,000.00		
Tree Warden	\$500.00	494.09	5.91	
Fire Department	700.00	688.63	11.37	
Forest Fires	500.00	376.55	123.45	
Taft Public Library	675.00	667.93	7.07	
Road Machinery Account	719.09	718.42	.67	
Emergency Relief Fund	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Schools				
Town Appropriation	\$18,277.56			
Dog License Refund	334.44			
	<u>\$18,612.00</u>	18,322.35	289.65	
	<u>\$87,957.60</u>	<u>\$87,295.81</u>	<u>\$661.79</u>	<u>\$75.86</u>

The Board of Selectmen wish to thank the various Town Officials and the Townspeople for their hearty cooperation with us the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN, Chairman,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
HAROLD METCALF,

January 1, 1940

Selectmen.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

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TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

GENTLEMEN:

I hereby submit my report of the work done by the Highway Department during the past year, with a summary of the past three years road building program completed. I trust this report will give your board and the citizens of the town a comprehensive record.

### CHAPTER 81.

Under Chapter 81 this year we have applied 20,700 gallons of Asphalt and Tarvia to approximately 4 miles of new road. The roads and distances covered were: Byrnes Rd., 3200 ft.; Hartford Ave. West, 3100 ft.; Park St., 3200 ft.; Trask Rd., 800 ft.; Cemetery St., 2700 ft.; Hartford Ave. East, 2900 ft.; Bates St., 2200 ft. A new drainage system was installed on Maple St. near the Post Office where the old stone culverts were either abandoned or torn up and 250 ft. of reinforced concrete pipe laid. New concrete culverts were also laid on Park St. and Hartford Ave. East.

3200 yds. of gravel and 350 yds. of stone were spread and 25 cu. yd. of ledge removed on the several roads. 1200 ft. of new concrete guard rail posts were set up on Bellingham St. and Hartford Ave. East, while 750 ft. of cedar guard rail posts were erected on Byrnes Rd. and Hopedale St. 2 new street and directional signs were set up on Maple St., and 4 Curve signs erected on the bad curves on Hartford Ave. West and Hartford Ave. East.

## CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

The small 1938 balance on Maintenance was expended by scarifying and resurfacing Providence St. from the Public Library to Moses Gaskill's house. For 1939 work we applied 13,000 gallons of tar in various amounts on North Ave., Providence St., Northbridge Rd., Millville St., and Hartford Ave. East. This year we have, with the approval of the State Engineer, tried something new in maintenance oiling. On some sections of road needing tar we have applied a hot Tarvia, covering it with a  $\frac{1}{4}$ "- $\frac{3}{4}$ " stone cover and rolling the same with heavy roller before opening to traffic. We feel that by substituting a stone cover for the usual sand we are not only strengthening the road but cutting the yearly maintenance expense for that section in half. We have estimated that we will not have to treat the surface again for five years instead of the usual three. All road markers were also numbered.

## MILLVILLE ROAD AND GAS TAX REFUND.

This year due to the high state tax, all Chapter 90 new construction was ordered dropped for at least two years, and a part of the available funds returned to the towns in the form of a gasoline tax refund. The money was distributed according to valuation and was intended for local highway work. The towns suffered by this arrangement and the cities gained. Many towns reappropriated their gas refund for highway purposes while others used it to reduce their tax levy. We were confronted with the prospect of shutting down all highway work the latter part of August if we had no money for construction, and also throwing a number of men on the town for aid. By reappropriating the town money voted for Millville Street to be used on that street and also the gas tax refund we felt we could carry on the work for the balance of the year and at the same time build half of the remaining unimproved piece of road on Millville St.

Prior to our finishing the half mile section of road, the County Commissioners notified us after inspecting the work done, that they would like to see the entire road finished to the Line and would allot some money for this purpose if the State would do likewise. I submitted an estimate of the amount needed to the Commissioner of Public Works in Boston and the result was the allotment of \$5000.00 by both, to remove all ledge, install necessary culverts and put in the gravel base. It was agreed that both County and State would contribute again this year so that the road will be finished in 1940.

#### FLOOD FUND.

We have completed the two bridges damaged by the flood of 1938 on Bellingham St. and Hartford Ave. East. Both are of steel arch construction resting on reinforced concrete abutments. The Hartford Ave. bridge has been relocated to eliminate the sharp curve at the bridge which existed before and a new stone macadam road completed over it. This bridge cost \$1700.00 and was built under ideal weather conditions during the summer. The Bellingham St. bridge was erected at a cost of \$3200.00 This cost could have been materially lessened had we not undertaken the work at the worst time of the year. At the time however we had 31 men needing employment and with the flood fund a state grant and not involving any town funds we felt justified in doing the work at the time.

#### ROAD MACHINERY.

During the past year we have added to our equipment a new Hauck burner. This burner is for brush burning, weed killing, back-firing in cases of forest fires and ice melting. As part of our snow equipment we have purchased a new sand spreader for icy roads. With this spreader we can cover the icy hills and curves on both school bus routes in the time it formerly took us to cover one.



This year the Town of Millville rented our gasoline roller with our own operator, William Irons, as before, while the Town of Hopedale rented the motor grader and operator, Leo Tetreault, for the rebuilding of Freedom St. The work of both operators and equipment was so satisfactory that we can rent again to these towns this year. I have but recently learned that the town is entitled to a return of the gas tax for all gasoline used by town equipment and have filed an application for this refund. It should amount to approximately \$35.00, and can be added to our Road Machinery Fund.

### RECOMMENDATIONS.

People have noted that heavy expenditures for highways have persisted over the years, and have wondered why there is a road problem, particularly if they reside in the center of a community or on some State highway. If they are dependent on farm roads for transportation daily or even if they get out on these roads only occasionally, they are very aware that a road problem still exists. Many of these farm-to-market roads are in practically impassible condition during some part of the year. When political bodies endeavor to lower taxes by dipping into gas-tax funds, the improvement of these farm-to-market roads probably suffer more than the State highway construction. Diversion of gasoline taxes penalize the rural dweller, and further decreases the benefits he is supposed to obtain through the taxes he pays. It seems manifestly unfair to require us to pay a tax for highway purposes and then have that tax used to pay state debts or general government costs.

If we are to be deprived of State and County assistance for future Chapter 90 construction, we should advocate the construction of low-cost roads. We should establish a program of our own for the systematic development of secondary roads connecting Mendon with neighboring towns. For this purpose I recommend the use of the money returned to the town from the gasoline tax. I have already met with the County Com-

missioners and the State Dept. of Public Works Commissioner and have been assured that my request for county and state funds for Millville Road and Hartford Ave. West has been favorably considered and it is very likely that funds will later be available for one and perhaps both roads. Our share of the gas-tax refund will be adequate to take care of Mendon's share for both of these roads.

### SUMMARY.

Before concluding this report I would like to summarize briefly the work which has been accomplished in the past three years while serving under your board.

Three years ago when I was first appointed, Mendon had but 11.3 miles of hard surfaced roads. Today we have 22.8 miles with but 7.8 miles to be surfaced in the future. This does not include a few short roads which it would be impractical to develop for some time. In the past three years we have oiled 12 new roads their entire length and 5 roads part of their length for a total of  $11\frac{1}{2}$  miles. Most of the old drainage structures in the town have been removed and new concrete ones installed in their places. Side road drainage has been improved considerably although much work must be done in the future removing ledge from shoulders of many back roads to improve drainage and make travel safer.

I have kept a detailed cost record of all expenditures on every road for the past 3 years. This record gives the length of road, type of surface, width, graveling, maintenance, new construction, oil-mix construction, bridges, (construction and maintenance) and storm protection work. A road card has been kept for each road and all money expended on each road appears on that card. At the close of the year the cards are totaled and a permanent record of the amount spent and what it is spent for is available. This record serves many purposes.

## CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I again wish to thank you gentlemen on the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of the town for your continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. DONNELLY,

Superintendent of Streets.

## GENERAL REPAIRS.

Appropriation .....	\$800 00
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## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$283 50	
Equipment .....	222 50	
		<hr/> \$506 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Dr. Morse, injury .....	\$3 50	
Dr. Campbell, injuries .....	46 00	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	15 23	
Huff Machine, repairs .....	7 00	
E. O. Rose, repairs .....	8 38	
Allied Steel, chain .....	31 72	
P. F. Quirk, chain .....	5 00	
Corbett Pipe, pipe .....	23 92	
A. Wilkinson, tools .....	2 00	
H. Knights, pipe .....	1 25	
Fisk-Alden, payment on tractor .....	150 00	
		<hr/> \$294 00
Expended .....		\$800 00

## CHAPTER 81.

## Department of Public Works Contract

No. 3322

Town Appropriation .....	\$3,600 00	
State Allotment .....	5,400 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,000 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$3,084 75	
Equipment .....	2,995 90	
	<hr/>	\$6,080 65

## GRAVEL AND SAND.

M. L. Goldthwaite .....	\$81 20	
Rosenfeld Sand Co. ....	739 70	
	<hr/>	\$820 90

## SURFACING MATERIALS.

Barrett Co., 1800 gal. ....	\$213 25	
N. E. Asphalt Co., 18,900 gal. ....	1,523 76	
	<hr/>	\$1,737 01

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Corbett Pipe .....	\$159 76	
Comm. of Mass., posts .....	187 50	
Comm. of Mass. frame .....	14 18	
	<hr/>	\$361 44

Total Expenditures .....		\$9,000 00
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## SUMMARY.

Town Appropriation .....	\$3,600 00	
Received from State .....	5,400 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,000 00

## CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE (1938).

Balance from 1938 .....	\$353 03
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## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$157 00	
Equipment .....	196 03	
	<hr/>	\$353 03
Total Expenditures .....		\$353 03

## CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE.

Town Appropriation .....	\$1,200 00	
State Allotment .....	1,200 00	
County Allotment .....	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,600 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$943 00	
Equipment .....	900 10	
	<hr/>	\$1,843 10

## EMPLOYEES LIABILITY INSURANCE.

H. A. Daniels Co. ....	\$43 26
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## SURFACING MATERIALS.

Barrett Co., 13,017 gal. ....	\$1,517 01	
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

State Prison, guard rail posts .....	\$10 00
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## SAND AND STONE.

Rosenfeld Co. ....	\$186 63
Total Expenditures .....	<u>\$3,600 00</u>

## SUMMARY.

Town Appropriation .....	\$1,200 00
Received from County .....	1,200 00
Received from State .....	1,040 47
Due from State .....	159 53
	<u>\$3,600 00</u>

## CHAPTER 90 (Northbridge Road, 1938).

Balance from 1938 .....	\$11 97
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## PAY ROLLS.

Equipment .....	\$11 97
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## MILLVILLE ROAD.

Town Appropriation .....	\$2,100 00
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## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$938 25
Equipment .....	1,142 00
	<u>\$2,080 25</u>

## SUPPLIES.

A. M. Smith, Explosives .....	\$19 75
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## SUMMARY.

Total Expenditures .....	\$2,100 00
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## MILLVILLE ROAD (Special Allotment, County and State).

County Allotment .....	\$2,500 00	
State Allotment .....	2,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,000 00

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$1,500 00	
Equipment .....	3,104 40	
	<hr/>	\$4,604 40

## MATERIALS.

Corbett Pipe Co. ....	\$63 00	
A. Lamothe, fill .....	28 00	
M. Gaskill, 3,106 yd. gravel .....	304 60	
	<hr/>	\$395 60

## SUMMARY.

Total Expended .....		\$5,000 00
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## EMERGENCY FLOOD FUND.

Balance from 1938 Allotment .....		\$5,410 65
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## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$1,462 25	
Equipment .....	449 40	
	<hr/>	\$1,911 65

## TOOLS.

Hedge-Mattheis, tools .....	\$67 00
Hedge-Mattheis, pumps .....	193 00
H. Chadbourne .....	5 21
Edson Corp. ....	18 90



E. O. Rose, parts .....	1 19	
Fisk-Alden, payment on tractor .....	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$435 30

## LUMBER.

W. G. Fiske .....	\$123 09	
Bradbury-Locke .....	11 05	
	<hr/>	\$134 14

## BRIDGE ARCHES.

Berger Metal Culvert Co.		
Hartford Ave. Bridge .....	\$438 55	
Bellingham Street Bridge .....	573 60	
Reinforcing Rods .....	163 10	
	<hr/>	\$1,175 25

## BRIDGE CONCRETE.

Rosenfeld Co., concrete .....	\$1,073 40	
Rosenfeld Co., gravel for bridge approaches .....	307 30	
	<hr/>	\$1,380 70

## MISCELLANEOUS.

N. E. Asphalt, 3500 gal. oil .....	\$239 89	
E. Blanchard, granite .....	61 00	
H. Patrick Co., bags .....	10 00	
L. Tetreault, bags .....	9 63	
Milford Grain Co., bags .....	16 50	
Worc. Suburban Co., flood lights .....	8 89	
Seavers, express .....	1 06	
Eddie's Station, gas .....	7 65	
E. T. Powers, parts .....	85	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	1 14	
Deke's Station, gas and oil .....	10 20	
B. F. Makepeace, blueprints .....	6 80	
	<hr/>	\$373 61

## SUMMARY.

Total Expended .....	\$5,410 65
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## ROAD MACHINERY FUND.

Appropriation .....	\$719 09
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## EXPENDITURES.

Pay Rolls .....	\$55 00
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## TOOLS.

W. Sampson Co. ....	\$150 74
Allied Steel Co. ....	23 01
L. N. Jaques Co. ....	36 46
F. A. Gould .....	22 35
Wm. Casey Co. ....	2 70
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	\$235 26

## SUPPLIES.

W. G. Fiske, lumber .....	\$13 85
W. Aubuchon, wire .....	3 45
H. M. Curtiss, cement .....	13 47
Eastern Fence, wire .....	4 75
Uxbridge Hardware, wire .....	4 25
Milford Grain, bags .....	10 20
R. Barrows, bags .....	3 75
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	\$53 72

## GAS AND OIL.

C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	\$234 04
Deke's Station, oil .....	17 40
Sunnyside Station, grease .....	45 48
Clark & Shaughnessey, oil .....	28 50
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	\$325 42

## REPAIRS.

Seaver's Express .....	\$1 53	
Rodney & Rae, grinding .....	7 00	
P. Lussier, hone .....	8 25	
Haynes Co., welding .....	6 00	
Fisk-Alden, parts .....	11 71	
Siegal Co., sharpening .....	11 93	
E. O. Rose, repairs .....	1 35	
Elgar Bartlett, filing .....	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$49 02

## SUMMARY.

Total Expended .....	\$718 42	
Unexpended .....	67	
	<hr/>	\$719 09

## GAS TAX REFUND.

Received from State .....	\$3,668 87
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## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$1,501 75	
Equipment .....	679 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,181 25

## EMPLOYEES' INSURANCE.

H. A. Daniels Co. ....	\$22 77
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## SURFACING MATERIALS.

N. E. Asphalt Co., 2700 gal. oil .....	\$189 64	
M. Gaskill, gravel .....	160 00	
M. Goldthwaite, gravel .....	55 02	
Rosenfeld Co., stone .....	385 95	
Rosenfeld Co., concrete .....	388 98	
	<hr/>	\$1,179 59

## MISCELLANEOUS.

H. Curtiss, waterproofing .....	\$20 01	
W. G. Fiske, lumber .....	38 57	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	13 65	
Bradbury-Locke, lumber .....	16 29	
L. N. Jaques, tools .....	7 75	
E. T. Powers, pipe .....	10 55	
C. Taft, wire .....	4 00	
State Prison, signs .....	35 20	
J. DePasquale, trailer .....	20 00	
L. Newton, crane and trailer .....	117 00	
	<hr/>	\$283 02

## SUMMARY.

Total Expenditures .....	\$3,666 63	
Unexpended .....	2 24	
	<hr/>	\$3,668 87

## SNOW REMOVAL.

Appropriation .....	\$1,500 00	
Transferred from Reserve .....	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,000 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$664 00	
Equipment .....	951 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,615 00

## NEW EQUIPMENT.

Dyar Sales Co., V plow with frame for tractor .....	\$350 90
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	\$16 41	
Deke's Station, oil .....	12 19	
Haynes Co., steel rods .....	5 50	
	<hr/>	\$34 10

## SUMMARY.

Total Expended .....	\$2,000 00
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# SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES ON ALL HIGHWAY WORK IN 1939.

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 1938	Mainten- ance 1939	Flood Fund	General Repairs	Snow Removal	Gas Tax Refund	Millville Town Funds	Rd. Con. Co.-State Spec. Allot.	Totals
Robert Donnelly	\$356.75	\$22.50	\$126.00	\$255.75	\$48.00	\$72.00	\$167.25	\$141.75	\$157.00	\$1,347.00
Harry Anthony	220.00	8.00	62.00	24.50	12.00	12.00	68.50	40.00	82.00	529.00
Louis Anthony	171.50	4.50	62.00	79.50	5.50	10.00	43.50	40.00	19.50	436.00
Alfred Auty	117.50	11.00	4.00	58.50	13.50	34.50	69.00	45.00	92.00	445.00
Robert Bartlett	47.50		41.00				40.00	25.50		154.00
William Bowen	12.50	8.00	4.00	43.00		11.50	31.00			110.00
James Brady	32.00		30.00	26.00			44.00	51.00	62.00	245.00
Louis Bronson	10.00			43.50						53.50
Robert Brownly	89.00	4.00	12.50	44.50	10.00	41.00	43.00	24.00	61.50	329.50
Richard Brummit	4.00			4.50						8.50
H. Carbonneau				69.50						69.50
William Coppfer	169.50	4.00	51.50	106.00	14.00	60.50	101.50	26.00		533.00
James Cram				11.00						11.00
George Driscoll	71.50	5.50	4.00	14.50		2.00	31.00			128.50
Harold Dunbar	85.00				4.00		47.50			136.50
Robert Flooks	29.00									29.00
Earle Gaskill	6.00						6.00			29.00
Charles Goodnow			17.00			4.00				4.00
Robert Grant	46.50			12.00			5.50			64.00
Louis Holbrook								39.00	38.00	77.00
Chester Hammond	8.00		57.50						54.50	120.00
Gilbert Harvey				4.00						4.00
Frank Hoyle	15.50	2.00			4.00					21.50
George Johnson								4.00		8.00
William Irons, Jr.	182.00	10.00	19.50	88.50	21.50	30.00	66.00	26.00	98.00	541.50
Aaram Lamothe				4.00						4.00
Orville Lapham	4.00					14.00				18.00

Joseph Lazzeri	3.50	37.50		8.00		42.00	90.50	8.00
Benjamin Levesque	95.00	52.50		11.50		55.50	72.00	173.50
Clifford Mathewson	142.50		64.50	11.50		50.50		357.50
Edwin Miller	8.00					7.50		272.50
Ernest Miller	14.50					12.00		26.50
Kenneth Morrison	24.00	41.00	66.00	19.50		99.50		444.50
William Munsell	4.50	55.00	25.50	19.50		76.00	95.00	522.00
William Nuttall	4.50	34.00	29.50	15.50		88.00	36.00	353.00
Goodsil Peters			19.00					19.00
Roger Plouf					10.00			10.00
Joseph Randor, Jr.	12.00		32.00	9.50	26.00		84.50	197.50
Norman Rogers			4.00		32.50			36.50
Arthur Sabatinelli					6.00			6.00
Cleveland Smith							36.00	36.00
Roscoe Steere	198.00	60.00	25.00	14.00	15.50	95.00	101.00	571.50
Kenneth Taft	29.50	8.00	8.50			73.00		119.00
Douglas Taylor	11.00	4.00			4.00	30.00	56.00	150.00
Leo Tetreault	202.50	58.50	144.50	22.00	93.00	91.00	126.00	841.50
Napoleon Thiebault	128.00	61.00	46.00	20.00	10.00	68.00	78.00	468.00
Wilbur Tucker	35.50	8.50	8.50	4.00				50.00
Harold Ward	53.00		21.00	4.00	3.00	21.50	38.50	174.50
Herbert Wood		36.50			6.00			6.00
Curtis Woodfall	8.00					34.00	22.00	115.50
Walter Yanski	4.00	4.00	79.00		34.00			121.00
TOTAL LABOR	\$3,084.75	\$157.00	\$943.00	\$1,462.25	\$283.50	\$664.00	\$1,501.75	\$939.25
							\$1,500.00	\$10,535.50



# SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES—Continued.

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 1938	Main- ten- ance 1939	Flood Fund	General Repairs	Snow Removal	Gas Tax Refund	Millville Town Funds	Rd. Con.	
									Co.-State	Spec. Allot. Totals
RENTED EQUIPMENT										
TRUCKS										
Kinsley Barnes	\$463.50	\$12.00	\$127.50	\$45.00	\$48.00	\$12.00	\$100.50	\$127.50	\$306.00	\$1,242.00
Walter Coffin	322.50	12.00	42.00	33.00	24.00		90.00	84.00	294.00	901.50
Robert Donnelly	351.00	9.00	138.00	64.50	36.00	298.50	81.00	109.50	300.00	1,387.50
Edward Goss	417.00	21.00	94.50	36.00	24.00		102.00	112.00	397.50	1,204.00
Daniel Leone	31.50		39.00	25.50			45.00	78.00	141.00	360.00
Harold Metcalf	490.50	16.00	127.50	115.50	12.00	19.50	153.00	135.00	255.00	1,324.00
Aldo Sabatinelli						282.00			87.00	369.00
Carl Taft	484.50	16.50	105.00	52.50	54.00	339.00	93.00	147.00	352.50	1,644.00
	\$2,560.50	\$86.50	\$673.50	\$372.00	\$198.00	\$951.00	\$664.50	\$793.00	\$2,133.00	\$8,432.00
COMPRESSOR										
Aldo Sabatinelli	\$78.40	\$4.53	\$33.60	\$22.40	\$14.00			\$140.00	\$134.40	\$427.33
ROLLER										
R. H. Newell	\$147.00	\$105.00	\$168.00		\$10.50					\$430.50
PUMP										
L. C. Woodfall				\$55.00			\$15.00			\$70.00

## POWER SHOVEL

J. DePasquale  
J. Rosenfeld

\$208.00	\$117.00	\$325.00
	720.00	720.00

## TOWN EQUIPMENT

Power Grader	\$175.00
Gas Roller	35.00
	\$25.00

\$200.00  
35.00

TOTAL EQUIPT.	\$2,995.90	\$196.03	\$900.10	\$449.40	\$222.50	\$951.00	\$679.50	1,141.00	3,104.40	10,639.83
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TOTAL PAYROLLS	\$6,080.65	\$353.03	\$1,843.10	\$1,911.65	\$506.00	\$1,615.00	\$2,181.25	\$2,080.25	\$4,604.40	\$21,175.33
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Received from Outside Rentals of Town Machinery	\$355.56
Town of Millville, Road Roller	
Town of Hopedale, Power Grader	50.50
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	\$406.16

## W P A

## FIRE HAZARDS.

The early part of the year was spent clearing up fire hazards in the woods and opening up fire lanes as an aid to the fire department in case of forest fires. The fallen timber was trimmed and the slash piled, to be burnt this winter by the U. S. Forest Service. All fire hazards within a quarter of a mile of buildings were cleaned up on this project.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

Work on the High School grounds, which was stopped after the hurricane, was continued during the summer. The grading and seeding of the school lawn was completed. 800 feet of new chain link fence was erected between the school and Mrs. Danforth's property on one side of the school and Mrs. Comstock's property on the other. The new ball field diamond and right field were plowed up, regraded and reseeded, but center and left fields were left as before due to the fact that the ground has a 6 foot drop towards Willow Brook. Two new regulation tennis courts were built and wire enclosed, and will be ready for use by the town in the Spring.

## STUMP REMOVAL AND TREE TRIMMING.

During the past year the WPA has done much to remove all traces of the damage done by the hurricane through a stump removal and tree trimming project. Work under this project included removal of all stumps on town roads and cemeteries, cutting and trimming of all trees damaged, cutting and delivering of all hurricane wood to needy families, and burning of all brush on the roadsides. Approximately 90% of the stumps have been removed and the balance will be taken care of in the Spring as soon as the ground opens up. To January 1, 35 cords of wood had been cut up and the greater part distributed by the Welfare Dept.

## MOTH SUPPRESSION.

During April and May and again during October, November and December a WPA crew of men under the Moth Superintendent covered the woodlands of the town on gypsy moth and tent caterpillar elimination. In connection with that work they are at present cutting down and burning all wild cherry trees on the roadsides.

## CONCLUSION.

Total WPA payrolls for the year totaled \$16,500.00 The town's contribution was \$2,500.00 or approximately 13% of the total cost of the projects carried on. Effective January 1st, 1940, the Federal Government has passed a law requiring all municipalities asking for Federal funds to contribute at least 25% of all project costs. This new law will work a hardship on all towns where most of their projects are of a manual type, and will make it necessary for us to increase our project contributions this next year. The past three years I have included in each project a charge for full time supervision of each project as part of the town's contribution to the cost, although I have given my services without expense to the town for supervising and writing up all projects. This supervision would add approximately 5% to the town's contribution but under this new set-up it will not be enough to meet Federal approval. The result must be an increase in the town contribution or a decrease in Federal aid with a resultant rise in Welfare costs. The past year we had an average of 29 men on WPA payrolls the full 12 months.

We are still holding in our files an approval project for surveying and mapping all streets in town and an Assessor's project. I have submitted to Washington for approval two sidewalk projects, one for a sidewalk from the High School to the State Road and the other for a walk from Shattuck's store to Roscoe Steere's house on Maple Street. I am also submitting a project for the elimination of the first bridge on Bell-

ingham Street by cutting a new channel for Muddy Brook on the south side of the road.

If the citizens of the town have at any time any projects which they think will be a benefit to the town, in the way of parks, play-grounds, roads, drainage or buildings, I would appreciate their suggestions. The work of the local WPA has been of a high standard and I hope that the town realizes the benefits of the work accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. DONNELLY,

WPA Co-ordinator and Supervisor.

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#### WPA APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation .....	\$2,500 00
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#### EXPENDITURES.

Labor .....	\$51 00
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#### TRUCKS.

Kinsley Barnes .....	\$133 50
Walter Coffin .....	108 00
Robert Donnelly .....	120 00
Edward Goss .....	98 00
Daniel Leone .....	51 00
Harold Metcalf .....	266 00
Carl Taft .....	156 00
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	\$932 50

#### COMPRESSOR.

A. Sabatinelli .....	\$47 60
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## CRANE AND TRAILER.

Leo Newton .....	\$72 00	
Total Payrolls .....		\$1,103 10

## MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

## TOOLS.

W. Aubuchon Co. ....	\$18 10	
W. Sampson Co. ....	94 09	
Fisk-Alden Co. ....	418 85	
C. C. Shattuck .....	19 65	
A. H. Sweet Co. ....	1 50	
L. Jaques & Son .....	19 06	
Ross Bros. ....	4 40	
		\$575 65

## LUMBER.

Fiske Lumber Co. ....	\$33 18	
Geo. Rhodes .....	46 48	
H. M. Curtiss .....	4 90	
Bradbury-Locke .....	20 36	
		\$104 92

## GRAVEL AND LOAM.

Rosenfeld Stone Co. ....	\$347 00	
M. U. Gaskill .....	52 00	
		\$399 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

J. Huggins Co., creosote .....	\$29 16	
Barrett Co., tar .....	120 90	
Eastern Fence, fence .....	140 55	
		\$290 61

## REPAIRS.

Central Machine .....	\$6 75	
Pironte & Siegal .....	7 12	
Jerry Driscoll .....	5 75	
H. Chadbourne .....	7 10	
	<hr/>	\$26 72
Total expended for materials .....		\$1,396 90

## SUMMARY.

Pay Rolls .....	\$1,103 10	
Materials .....	1,396 90	
	<hr/>	\$2,500 00



## BOARD OF HEALTH.

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Town Appropriation .....	\$600 00	
Transferred to the Temporary Aid ap- propriation by vote at special Town meeting .....	450 00	
	<hr/>	\$150 00

### EXPENDITURES.

Special Treatments County Hospital (one patient) .....	\$36 00	
K. A. Campbell (Diphtheria Inocu- lation) .....	30 00	
A. H. Sweet Co. (Supplies) .....	2 15	
State Dept. Public Health, ½ Miscoe License .....	10 00	
Smith A. Steere (Town Dump) .....	27 26	
Children's Hospital .....	24 75	
William R. Bowen (Work on Mosquito Project) .....	5 00	
Dr. William H. Boswell (1 Dog Case)	5 00	
Roy A. Barrows (Placarding and Fumi- gation Supplies) .....	7 50	
	<hr/>	\$147 66
Unexpended balance .....	2 34	
	<hr/>	\$150 00

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS, Chairman,  
HAROLD METCALF,  
WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Board of Health.

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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Appropriation .....	\$500 00
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### EXPENDITURES.

Fred M. Batchelder Co., Supplies .....	\$34 60	
Postage .....	50	
Toll Calls .....	18 70	
Court Fees .....	9 20	
Police Duty, May 30 .....	18 50	
Police Duty, July 3 and 4 .....	46 50	
Police Duty, October 31 .....	23 00	
Investigating 2 Drowning Cases .....	48 50	
Police Duty on Road .....	85 00	
Investigating Missing Persons .....	16 00	
Larceny of Hens .....	22 00	
Breaking and Entering Cases .....	37 50	
Accidents and Complaints .....	140 00	
		\$500 00

During the year the following arrests were made	17
For Drunkenness .....	2
For Non-Support .....	6
For Assault and Battery .....	4
For Trespassing and Destroying Signs .....	2
For Driving Under the Influence .....	2
Larceny .....	1
Summons to Court .....	11

### INVESTIGATIONS.

Investigating Breaking and Entering Cases .....	10
Investigating Complaints and calls .....	192

Drowning Cases .....	2
Dog Cases .....	9
Larceny of Hens .....	3
Missing Persons .....	5

There were 36 licenses recommended suspended at the Registrar of Motor Vehicles Office for road violations during the year.

The past year there were 18 accidents and 26 injuries reported to the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BARROWS,

Chief Police Dept.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WEIGHING.

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27 Weighings at 20 cents .....	\$5 40
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Respectfully submitted,

FELIX BESSETTE,

Public Weigher.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

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Mendon, Mass., Dec. 30, 1939.

To the Honorable Board of Health:

Following you will find a report of animals slaughtered in my presence and inspected by me in the year 1939:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
January .....				2
February .....				
March .....				
April .....				
May .....		1		
June .....				
July .....				
August .....				
September .....				
October .....				
November .....				
December .....			4	
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Totals .....	0	1	4	2

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK R. PHILLIPS,

Inspector of Slaughtering.

# REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

FOR THE YEAR 1939.

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Platform scale over 5000 lbs. (free) .....	1	
Platform scales under 5000 lbs. ....	2	\$1 00
Spring scale under 100 lbs. ....	5	50
Computing scales under 100 lbs. ....	2	20
Gasoline pumps at 50 cents each .....	12	6 00
Kerosene pumps at 50 cents each .....	1	50
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	23	\$8 20

We have inspected the following licenses:

Peddlers .....	1
Vendors .....	4
Fish .....	1
Fruit .....	5
Junk .....	3
Range Oil .....	3
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	17

We have collected \$8.20 for fees and have turned same over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER TAYLOR, Sealer,

JOSEPH TAYLOR, Deputy Sealer.

Mendon, December 30, 1939.

## REPORT OF BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

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Appropriation by Town .....	\$7,000 00	
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Transferred to Temporary Aid Appropriation by Vote at Special Town Meeting .....	\$1,000 00	
Transferred to Aid to Dependent Children Appropriation by Vote at Special Town Meeting .....	150 00	
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		\$5,850 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund by Authority of Finance Committee		9 47
Received from Federal Grant .....		5,078 14
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Total Resources .....		\$10,937 61

### EXPENDITURES.

Mendon Settled Cases:	
37 Cases .....	\$9,532 78
Mendon Cases with No Settlement:	
3 Cases .....	749 00
Mendon Cases with Settlement in other Towns:	
1 Case .....	344 00
Cases Living in Other Towns with Mendon Settlement:	
6 Cases (one-sixth of total cost) ....	311 83
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	\$10,937 61



Proportionate share of above expenses:

Federal Grant .....	\$5,514 89	
State Share .....	3,837 93	
Other Towns .....	184 93	
Mendon's Share .....	1,399 86	
		<hr/> \$10,937 61

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION  
ACCOUNT—FEDERAL GRANT.

Received from Federal Government ....		\$248 29
Expended .....	\$158 62	
Unexpended .....	89 67	
		<hr/> \$248 29

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS,  
Agent.

REPORT OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

Town Appropriation .....	\$1,200 00	
Transferred from Old Age Assistance Appropriation by Vote of Special Town Meeting .....	150 00	
Received from Federal Grant .....	234 64	
		<hr/> \$1,584 64

EXPENDITURES.

1 Case .....	\$300 00
1 Case .....	773 50
1 Case .....	497 00

1 Case .....	90 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,660 50
Over Drawn .....		75 86
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		\$1,584 64

## Proportionate Share of Above Expense:

Federal Grant .....	\$386 17	
State's Share .....	553 50	
Mendon's Share .....	720 83	
	<hr/>	\$1,660 50

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS,

Agent.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

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### TEMPORARY AID.

#### RESOURCES.

Town Appropriation .....	\$7,500 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	350 00	
Transferred from Old Age Assistance Account .....	1,000 00	
Transferred from Board of Health Account .....	450 00	
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Expended .....	\$9,298 63	
Unexpended .....	1 37	
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### DETAILED EXPENDITURES.

#### MENDON SETTLED CASES.

One family in own home .....	\$440 67
One family in own home .....	64 00
One family in own home .....	252 50
One family in own home .....	210 51
One family in own home .....	289 00
One family in own home .....	312 00
One family in own home .....	119 50
One family in own home .....	123 24
One family in own home .....	208 00
One family in own home .....	69 50
One family in own home .....	11 00
One family in own home .....	20 00

## PAID OTHER TOWNS FOR MENDON SETTLED CASES.

Town of Sutton, one case .....	\$205 51
Town of Leicester, one case .....	18 50
Town of Northbridge, one case .....	118 08
City of Worcester, one case .....	125 25
Town of Milford, one case .....	291 95
Town of Milford, one case .....	227 16
Town of Milford, one case .....	676 01
Town of Franklin, one case .....	88 62

WIFE AND CHILDREN SETTLED IN MENDON,  
HUSBAND STATE CASE.

One family in own home .....	\$139 00
One family in own home .....	37 00
One family in own home .....	94 80

## CASES RESIDING IN MENDON SETTLED IN OTHER TOWNS.

Northbridge Case .....	25 30
Medway Case .....	292 12
Upton Case .....	106 63

CASES WITH NO SETTLEMENT, CHARGEABLE  
TO THE STATE.

One family in own home .....	\$71 50
One family in own home .....	93 15
One family in own home .....	1,102 08
One family in own home .....	406 90
One family in own home .....	3 73
One family in own home .....	899 38
One family in own home .....	125 63
One family in own home .....	27 31
One family in own home .....	158 03
One person in home of others .....	74 53
One family in own home .....	775 40

One family in own home .....	140 13
One family in own home .....	94 50
One family in own home .....	89 00

#### MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Mendon's share to Federal Government for Surplus Commodities Adminis- tration .....	\$82 12	
Mendon's share of cost of operating Surplus Commodities Warehouse in Milford .....	498 04	
Helpers for Surplus Commodities Truck	70 75	
Supplies, Postage and Telephone Calls	20 60	
	<hr/>	\$9,298 63

#### PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF ABOVE EXPENSE.

State of Massachusetts .....	\$4,128 97	
Other Towns .....	424 05	
Mendon's Share .....	4,745 61	
	<hr/>	\$9,298 63

#### CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND.

This year the Ladies' Alliance held a donation day and the proceeds of which were turned over to the Welfare Department to be distributed to the needy.

Also money received for Christmas Cheer baskets was as follows:

Bright Oak Club Inc. ....	\$10 00	
Mendon Y. P. R. U. ....	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$15 00
Expended for Cheer baskets .....		\$15 00

## SURPLUS COMMODITIES.

The Surplus Commodities Warehouse,  
Milford, delivered in Mendon for  
the year 1939, goods valued as  
follows:

Food .....	\$2,991 93
Clothing .....	1,025 20

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD METCALF, Chairman,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
WILLIAM R. BOWEN,  
Board of Public Welfare,

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

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The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet and Table of Aggregates are given below:

### RECAPITULATION SHEET.

**Town appropriations:**

Annual Town Meeting, March		
1939 .....	\$59,170 17	
Debt and Interest .....	6,217 21	
State Tax 1939 and balance due		
on 1938 .....	5,940 00	
State Parks and Reservation Tax	73 08	
Auditing Municipal Accounts ....	264 72	
County Tax .....	2,203 73	
Overlay for 1939 .....	466 44	
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	\$74,339 98	\$74,339 98
 Estimated Receipts .....	 \$25,600 98	
Available Funds (voted by Town		
Meeting and authorized by Tax		
Commissioner) .....	9,365 52	
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	\$34,966 50	\$34,966 50
 Net Amount raised on polls and		
property .....		\$39,373 48
429 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 each .....		858 00
Total Valuation .....		\$1,328,120 00
Tax Rate .....	\$29 00	
Personal Property .....		124,610 00
Real Estate .....		1,203,510 00



## TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Number of assessments on real estate .....		505
Number of assessments on personal estate .....		103
		<hr/> 608
Number of male polls assessed .....		429
Value of assessed stock-in-trade ....	\$5,400 00	
Value of assessed live stock .....	45,640 00	
Value of assessed machinery .....	69,500 00	
Value of all other assessed personal estate .....	4,070 00	
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Value of assessed personal property	\$124,610 00	\$124,610 00
Value of assessed buildings, excluding land .....	\$882,085 00	
Value of assessed land, excluding buildings .....	321,425 00	
Value of assessed real estate .....	\$1,203,510 00	\$1,203,510 00
Total value of assessed property ....		1,328,120 00
Tax on personal estate .....	3,613 69	
Tax on real estate .....	34,901 79	
Tax on polls .....	858 00	
Total poll and property taxes .....	\$39,373 48	\$39,373 48
Rate of tax per \$1,000 .....		29 00
Number of horses assessed .....		62
Number of cows assessed .....		586
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed .....		78
Number of swine assessed .....		1
Number of dwelling houses assessed		423
Number of acres of land assessed		10,810
Number of fowl assessed .....		4,760

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED  
TO COLLECTOR IN 1939.

Vehicles registered in 1938 .....	\$50 96	
Vehicles registered in 1939 .....	2,589 88	
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	\$2,640 84	\$2,640 84

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED  
IN 1939.

1938 Taxes .....	\$11 38	
1939 Taxes .....	51 58	
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		\$62 96

OVERLAY ACCOUNT  
1937.

Overlay .....		\$684 50
Abatements .....	\$532 50	
Balance .....	152 00	
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	\$684 50	\$684 50

1938.

Overlay .....		\$756 22
Abatements .....	\$399 37	
Balance .....	356 85	
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	\$756 22	\$756 22

1939.

Overlay .....		\$466 44
Abatements .....	\$440 73	
Balance .....	25 71	
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	\$466 44	\$466 44

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
CARL M. TAFT,  
CHARLES F. LEONARD,  
Board of Assessors.

January 1, 1940.

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

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### 1937 PROPERTY TAXES.

#### DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1939 .....	\$3,207 87	
Interest .....	206 47	
	<hr/>	\$3,414 34

#### CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$3,380 34	
Abated .....	34 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,414 34

### 1938 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

#### DR.

Total Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1939 ....	\$19 05	
Interest .....	05	
	<hr/>	\$19 10

#### CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$11 12	
Abated .....	7 98	
	<hr/>	\$19 10

#### DR.

1938 Motor Excise Taxes Committed,		
Jan. 7, 1939 .....	\$50 96	
Interest .....	03	
	<hr/>	\$50 99

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$48 99	
Abated .....	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$50 99

## 1938 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1939 .....	\$10,292 55	
Interest .....	265 73	
	<hr/>	\$10,558 28

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$8,642 76	
Abated .....	76 85	
Uncollected .....	1,838 67	
	<hr/>	\$10,558 28

## 1939 POLL TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes Committed .....	\$858 00	
Demands .....	15 75	
Interest .....	02	
	<hr/>	\$873 77

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$849 77	
Abated .....	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$873 77

## 1939 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

First Commitment, March 1, 1939 .....	\$574 03	
Interest .....	39	
	<hr/>	\$574 42

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$574 42	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$574 42

## DR.

Second Commitment, April 28, 1939 ....	\$1,365 80	
Interest .....	1 03	
	<hr/>	\$1,366 83

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$1,359 96	
Abated .....	4 00	
Uncollected .....	2 87	
	<hr/>	\$1,366 83

## DR.

Third Commitment, July 17, 1939 .....	\$461 06	
Interest .....	43	
Overpaid .....	03	
	<hr/>	\$461 52

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$455 52	
Abated .....	6 00	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$461 52

## DR.

Fourth Commitment, November 4, 1939	\$155 08	
Interest .....	09	
	<hr/>	\$155 17

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$139 17	
Uncollected .....	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$155 17

## DR.

Fifth Commitment, December 2, 1939	\$33 91	
	<hr/>	\$33 91

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$27 91	
Uncollected .....	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$33 91

## 1939 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Total Personal and Real Estate Taxes		
Committed .....	\$38,527 08	
Interest .....	33 62	
	<hr/>	\$38,560 70

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$28,063 99	
Subsequent Tax Title Credit .....	62 35	
Abated .....	382 22	
Uncollected .....	10,052 14	
	<hr/>	\$38,560 70
Total Tax Refunds for 1939 .....		\$77 49

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. DALTON,

Collector of Taxes.

January 1, 1940.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

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### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY:—

The circulation for the year (100 days) was 11,069 volumes. The largest given out in one day was 179, the smallest 46, the average 110. The circulation by classes was as follows: Fiction, 7493; Magazines, 2401; Biography, 351; Travel, 159; History, 200; Literature, 117; Useful and Fine Arts, 208; Science, 53; all others, 87.

There are 8590 volumes in the library. 148 were added this year. 56 were bought by the town, 85 with the Fletcher Fund and 7 gifts.

The library subscribes to the American, American Boy, American Home, Better Homes and Gardens, Boy's Life, Child Life, Country Gentleman, Current History, Colliers', Good-housekeeping Harper's Monthly, Instructor, Ladies' Home Journal, Life, McCall's, National Geographic, Parents' Magazine, Popular Mechanics, Reader's Digest, Saturday Evening Post, Woman's Home Companion.

\$10.43 was received in fines during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

VERENA R. DALEY,

Librarian.

Mendon, January 1, 1940.



FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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This year the Library days and hours have been changed from Friday to Monday Evening, 6.30-8.00 and from Tuesday to Thursday Afternoon, 1.30-5.00 and Evening, 6.30-8.00. This change was made for the convenience of the teachers, many of whom go home Friday afternoon.

There has been a question of fines come before the Trustees. A few delinquents find they have kept their books out two or three weeks overtime and rather than pay the fine, do not bring the book back. This causes the Librarian extra work trying to get the books returned. We think by reducing the fine from 10 cents to 5 cents the trouble will be remedied.

This year the roof has been repaired, and this coming year we hope to repair the inside walls, which are badly cracked and in need of paint, then we will feel the Library will be in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM BOWEN, Chairman,  
DONALD LOWELL,  
MRS. LENA W. GEORGE,  
EDWARD T. WHITING, Secretary,  
JULES I. PHILIE,

Library Trustees.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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RECEIPTS.

Appropriation .....	\$675 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Worcester Sub. Electric Co. ....	\$9 45	
Herbert J. George, Insurance ....	35 44	
American Library Association .....	6 00	
H. W. Wilson Co., Periodicals .....	24 00	
L. G. Bronson, Repairs to Chimney .....	8 19	
Barney Coal Co., Coal .....	23 25	
Edward Whiting, Repairs .....	125 00	
P. A. Ruggiero, Electrical repairs .....	9 97	
Verena R. Daley, Librarian .....	225 00	
The Personal Book Shop, Inc., Books ....	93 53	
D. Kinsley Barnes, Trucking Coal from the East Mendon School House ....	7 50	
Nina M. Burr, Magazines .....	38 50	
Carl M. Taft, Wood .....	9 00	
Goss & Whiting, Repairs .....	1 10	
Mrs. Nancy Dudley, Janitor .....	52 00	
		\$667 93
Unexpended Balance .....		7 07
Fletcher Fund Expenditures .....		97 31

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
Finance Committee.

## REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

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Town appropriation .....	\$700 00
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### EXPENDED.

#### LABOR.

Harold Lowell, salary as Chief .....	\$75 00
Charlotte Lowell, blowing whistle .....	36 40
Albert Brownly, labor on oil burner .....	6 00
William F. Irons, Jr., labor on apparatus .....	3 00
Roscoe Steere, cleaning water holes ....	28 00
George Johnson, janitor service .....	14 90
	\$163 30

#### FOR FIRE CALLS.

Pay Roll—No.	1.	George Davis fire	\$19 50
	No. 2.	George Wilbur fire	4 50
	No. 3.	Taylor Cottage fire	11 25
	No. 4.	Bertha Wilson fire	3 00
	No. 5.	Francis Morrison fire .....	3 00
	No. 6.	Carl Halsing fire	6 00
	No. 7.	W. A. Robinson fire .....	4 50
	No. 8.	Raymond Thomas fire .....	9 00
	No. 9.	Wilfred Corey fire	7 50
	No. 10.	Salaries .....	72 00
	No. 11.	William Bowen fire	4 50
	No. 12.	Van Der Sluis fire	6 00
	No. 13.	Hackenson fire ....	4 50
	No. 14.	Blaisdell fire .....	7 50

No. 15.	Anesta fire .....	3 00	
No. 16.	George Davenport fire .....	27 00	
No. 17.	Edward Allen fire	18 00	
No. 18.	Millard Bracci fire	18 75	
No. 19.	Francis Morrison fire .....	6 00	
No. 20.	George Wilbur fire	12 00	
No. 21.	Alec Wolec fire ....	6 00	
No. 22.	Peterson fire .....	7 00	
No. 23.	Carl Taft fire .....	9 00	
No. 24.	Mayo Farm fire ....	7 00	
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			\$276 50

## REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES.

Deke's Texaco Station, oil .....	\$1 50	
C. C. Shattuck, gasoline .....	14 39	
James A. Coffin, supplies .....	4 00	
H. F. Lowell, supplies .....	15 25	
Leonard N. Jaques & Sons, supplies ....	4 25	
Justin A. McCarthy Co., supplies .....	6 50	
Farrar Co., supplies .....	25 00	
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., supplies .....	75	
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		\$71 64

## HEAT AND POWER.

Clark & Shaughnessy, fuel oil .....	\$26 76	
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., power for whistle	60 00	
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		\$86 76

## NEW EQUIPMENT.

American La France Co., mask .....	\$20 60	
Eureka Fire Hose Co., 100 feet 1½"		
hose .....	69 83	
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		\$90 43

Total Expended .....	\$688 63	
Unexpended .....	11 37	
	<hr/>	\$700 00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL, Chief,  
RAYMOND L. DALEY,  
ROY A. BARROWS, Clerk,  
Fire Engineers.

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

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Appropriation .....	\$500 00
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### EXPENDITURES.

#### PAY ROLLS.

Herbert Wood .....	\$117 00	
Karl Rooney .....	1 00	
Harold Metcalf .....	39 00	
		\$157 00

#### MATERIALS.

H. L. Frost, spraying elms .....	\$300 00
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#### SUPPLIES.

Deke's Station, gas and oil .....	\$24 49	
Uxbridge Hardware, tools .....	7 75	
H. Chadbourne, tools .....	2 60	
E. O. Rose, repairs .....	2 25	
		\$37 09

Total Expenditures .....	\$494 09	
Unexpended .....	5 91	
		\$500 00

In the spring a total of 594 elm trees were sprayed for Elm Tree Beetles on the following streets and cemeteries.

North Ave. ....	62	Bellingham Street .....	48
Hopedale Street .....	5	Hartford Ave., East .....	59
Miscoe Road .....	2	Bates Street .....	24
Northbridge Road .....	2	Thayer Street .....	6
Washington Street .....	4	Gaskill Street .....	14
Thornton Street .....	1	Elm Street .....	9
Park Street .....	20	Maple Street .....	11
Pleasant Street .....	85	George Street .....	31
Millville Street .....	36	Main Street .....	14
Emerson Street .....	19	Southwick Street .....	8
Blackstone Street .....	23	Maple Place .....	2
Providence Street .....	65	Old Cemetery .....	15
Quisset Road .....	4	Route 16 (State Road) ....	55
Cemetery Street .....	3	Route 140 (State Road) ..	17

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. WOOD,

Tree Warden.



## REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN.

Town Appropriation .....	\$500 00
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EXPENDED.

Harold Lowell, salary as Warden .....	\$25 00
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## FIRE CALLS.

Pay Roll—No.	1.	Sabatinelli fire ....	\$7 50
	No. 2.	Jackson fire .....	7 50
	No. 3.	Uxbridge Line fire	5 50
	No. 4.	Hazard fire .....	4 00
	No. 5.	Hopedale St. fire	2 00
	No. 6.	Garelick fire .....	3 00
	No. 7.	Lincoln Cook fire	17 00
	No. 8.	Park St. fire .....	3 00
	No. 9.	Harrington St. fire	9 00
	No. 10.	Kenneth Taft fire	7 25
	No. 11.	Anesta fire .....	5 00
	No. 12.	Hazen fire .....	2 00
	No. 13.	Malinosky fire .....	10 50
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			\$83 25

### SUPPLIES AND OPERATING EXPENSES.

Harold Lowell, toll calls .....	\$1 00	
Sears-Roebuck Co., heater .....	37 65	
	<hr/>	\$38 65

## NEW EQUIPMENT.

Farrar Co., reel and tool box .....	\$59 50	
C. B. Hardy, 150 ft. 1½" hose .....	102 90	
C. B. Hardy, nozzle .....	24 25	
Farrar Co., pump, cans and lanterns ....	43 00	
	<hr/>	\$229 65
Total Expended .....	\$376 55	
Unexpended .....	123 45	
	<hr/>	\$500 00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Forest Warden.

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE.

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### MENDON PWA PROJECT 1395 DS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Authorized by Town .....	\$32,820 00
Chapter 44 authorization .....	450 00
Premium from sale of Bonds .....	191 68
Interest for use of Bond money .....	46 00
Federal PWA Grant .....	26,462 67
	<hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: 0;"/> \$59,970 35

#### EXPENDITURES.

##### Contract No. 1

New Addition, DiSandro Bros. .... \$49,256 94

##### Contract No. 2

Repairs and Renovations to Old  
Part of Building, Dunn-Galvin  
Corp. .... 2,734 23

##### Contract No. 3

Furnishings and equipment, O. P.  
Killam & Son ..... 1,969 45  
Architectural Fee, J. William Beal Sons 3,782 40  
Clerk of Works ..... 1,160 00  
Notary Fees ..... 19 25  
Insurance During Construction ..... 154 13  
Preliminary Expenses — Advertising,  
    Printing of Bonds ..... 299 53  
Preliminary Borings and Tests ..... 60 00

Interest on Note .....	13 73	
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	\$59,449 66	
Due Dunn-Galvin Corp. ....	303 80	
Unexpended .....	216 89	
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		\$59,970 35

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. LOWELL, Chairman,  
 SILAS H. DUDLEY, Clerk,  
 ERNEST E. SOULS,  
 HAROLD METCALF,  
 ROY A. BARROWS,  
 GEORGE G. DAVENPORT,

Building Committee.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF MENDON:

Pursuant to Chapter 41, Section 50, of the General Laws, I have examined and checked the receipts and expenditures of the various Town Officers receiving and disbursing Municipal funds, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1939, and find their accounts correctly cast, with vouchers covering same carefully filed.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. A. BARRY,

Auditor.

January 18th, 1940.



# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

## TOWN OF MENDON

## MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1939



## SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT.

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### RECEIPTS.

General Appropriation .....	\$18,277 56	
Dog Tax, 1939 .....	334 44	
Total Receipts .....		\$18,612 00
Total Expenditures .....	\$18,322 35	
Balance .....		\$289 65

### REIMBURSEMENTS.

General School Fund, Part I .....	\$2,098 95	
General School Fund, Part II .....	2,231 53	
Superintendent's Salary .....	664 45	
Tuition from State .....	241 49	
Tuition from City of Boston .....	43 18	
Tuition from Industrial School .....	97 60	
High School Grant .....	682 43	
Total Reimbursement .....		\$6,059 63

### TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS.

Total Expenditures .....	\$18,322 35	
Reimbursements .....	6,059 63	
Net Cost by Taxation .....		\$12,262 72

### EXPENDITURES.

Superintendent's Salary .....	\$907 79
Superintendent's Expenses .....	110 58
Salaries of Teachers .....	9,483 01
Textbooks .....	236 23

School Supplies .....	377 70	
Janitor's Wages .....	1,221 26	
Miscellaneous Operation .....	426 69	
Fuel .....	759 40	
Repairs and Replacements .....	327 06	
New Equipment .....	53 70	
Health .....	376 95	
Transportation .....	3,669 01	
Insurance .....	372 97	
Total Expenditures .....		\$18,322 35

## SCHOOL DIRECTORY, 1939—1940.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Donald B. Lowell, Chairman .....	Term Expires 1941
Silas Dudley, Secretary .....	Term Expires 1942
Ernest E. Souls .....	Term Expires 1940

Regular meetings held at the Center School building on the first Monday of each month at 7.30 P. M.

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—JULES I. PHILIE, A. B.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center

Telephone, Office—Milford 152-4  
Home—Milford 1879-M

The Superintendent may be met every Wednesday morning between 9 and 12 at the Mendon Centre High School or by appointment at any other convenient time.

### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

K. A. Campbell, M. D. .... Telephone, Milford, 102

### SCHOOL NURSES.

Helen C. Grady, R. N. .... Milford District Nursing Association  
Olive S. Rogers, R. N., Assistant ..... Telephone, Milford 862

# TEACHERS.

Name.	Subject or Grade.	Preparation.	Degrees or Yrs.	Yrs. Ser. in Town
HIGH SCHOOL.				
Henry P. Clough, Principal	Math., Science, French	Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University	B.S.	Twelfth
Marie Mitten	English, Latin	Radcliffe College	Ed.M.	
Frances White	Commercial, History	Salem Teachers' College	A.B.	First
Jane Sroczynski	Domestic Science	Mary Washington State Teachers' College	B.S.	Second
	Geography, History		B.S.	Third
Orilla F. Park	Grades 5 and 6	Castleton Normal, Vermont,	Three	Fourteenth
Mildred Collins	Grades 4 and 5	Lowell Teachers' College	B.S.	Third
Grace Gaskell	Grades 2 and 3	Framingham State Teachers' College	Two	First
Marjorie Horne	Grades 1 and 2	Boston University	B.S.	Second
David N. Gellatly	Music Supervisor	Boston Conservatory of Music—Private Lessons	Grad.	Fourth

JANITOR.

Raymond Barrows ..... Center School

TRANSPORTATION AGENTS.

Harold C. Barrows  
Kenneth Taft

TRUANT OFFICER.

Harold C. Barrows

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM  
JANUARY, 1940 TO JUNE, 1941.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Open January 2, 1940  
Close April 12, 1940  
Open April 22, 1940  
Close May 29, 1940  
Open May 31, 1940  
Close June 14, 1940  
Open September 4, 1940  
Close November 27, 1940  
Open December 2, 1940  
Close December 20, 1940  
Open January 6, 1941.  
Close April 18, 1941  
Open April 28, 1941  
Close June 20, 1941

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Open January 2, 1940  
Close February 16, 1940  
Open February 26, 1940  
Close April 12, 1940  
Open April 22, 1940  
Close June 7, 1940  
Open September 4, 1940  
Close November 27, 1940  
Open December 2, 1940  
Close December 20, 1940  
Open January 6, 1941  
Close February 21, 1941  
Open March 3, 1941  
Close April 18, 1941  
Open April 28, 1941  
Close June 6, 1941

## HOLIDAYS

November 11

April 19

May 30

## AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL.

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September.

## REPORT OF SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS.

OCTOBER, 1939.

Number of pupils examined .....	263
Number found defective in eyesight .....	20
Number found defective in hearing .....	8
Number of parents or guardians notified .....	28



AGE AND GRADE CHART AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1939.

GRADE	AGE																	Total
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
I	B	3	7	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	
II	G	...	8	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	
	B	...	3	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	
III	G	...	11	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	
	B	...	...	6	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	
IV	G	...	...	1	8	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	
	B	...	...	...	3	4	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	
V	G	...	...	2	1	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	
	B	...	...	1	...	...	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	
VI	G	...	...	...	...	11	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	
	B	...	...	...	...	5	2	4	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	16	
VII	G	...	...	...	...	1	10	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	2	...	...	1	...	...	13	
VIII	G	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	4	6	...	...	...	...	...	19	
IX	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	2	1	...	...	...	10	
X	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	2	1	...	...	...	...	11	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	4	...	...	...	...	5	
XI	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	3	4	1	...	...	7	
XII	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	5	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	3	
Totals	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	4	
		3	18	26	21	21	31	21	26	31	19	22	10	11	3	...	263	
Boys		3	10	14	9	16	18	7	19	19	10	14	6	8	1	...	154	
Girls		...	8	12	12	5	13	14	7	12	9	8	4	3	2	...	109	

## REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MENDON:

I take this opportunity to thank you for your support of the school and committee this past year.

This past year we have established a salary schedule for all teachers believing that it will help to stabilize the teaching positions.

With the help of WPA labor we were able to replace broken down fences on the north and south sides of the school grounds at a very low cost.

We are indebted to the WPA Administrator for the project which has given the school a nice tennis court and a large athletic field which the school has needed for years.

A problem now before the committee is a suitable sewerage system. The present one being inadequate for the new system in the school.

As in preceding years we have kept within our appropriation and will earnestly endeavor to keep on doing so.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. LOWELL,

Chairman, School Committee.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MENDON:

GENTLEMEN:

My second report as Superintendent of Schools is submitted for your consideration. We have just completed our first school year in our new centralized school. It is interesting to note the splendid attitude that the pupils and teachers alike have taken toward the use and care of this building and also the amount of good derived by the pupils in this new institution. I urge the parents of the pupils and other citizens of the town to visit this building and to notice how well the building has been kept. A great deal of credit for this is due to the care used by the pupils, the faculty and the efficient work of our janitor. It is surprising to note the small number of parents who visit the school during the school year. I would encourage the parents to visit school more often and in greater numbers. This would tend to create a better understanding of the problems confronting both pupils and teachers. Somehow it seems that parents are hesitant about visiting school. Teachers are only too glad to welcome parents into classrooms and to talk over with them their mutual problems. In this way the teachers can better understand the pupils in order to teach them.

When I came here about two years ago, I put into effect a system of handling homework in which a good portion of it is to be done in school in the presence and with the help of the teacher. This method has brought about satisfactory results, since the pupils can solve their problems by themselves under the guidance of their teachers.

The course of study for grades one through eight is complete. Much credit for this is due to the teachers who worked throughout the year at several meetings in preparing data and statistics necessary in order that this course of study could be made possible.

At the time of the writing of this report, I have prepared mid-year examinations for all grades and in all subjects. These examinations are based upon our course of study. It will be interesting to note the results of these examinations. These results will be graphed and the weak spots in our curriculum will be readily noted. Following these examinations, I am going to administer diagnostic tests in the classes where weaknesses were shown, in order that remedial work can be applied in the proper subject and grades. This same procedure will be followed in June when final examinations will be given in the same way.

It is pleasing for me to note that the academic standards of this year have improved considerably. We are fortunate in having a corps of splendid teachers.

Since last September the following changes have been made in the faculty due to resignations: Resigned—Alice Comer, replaced by Grace Gaskell; resigned—Helen Wana-maker, replaced by Marie C. Mitten. Both of these new teachers are well qualified to fill their respective positions. Our enrollment this year is 263 which represents a decrease of 9 pupils over last year. If you will refer to the age-grade chart submitted in this report, you will find that the number of over-age pupils is very small.

Our dental clinic was held this last year with satisfactory results. It may be well to note that the teeth condition of our pupils is greatly improved. The report of the District Nurse should be read carefully by all parents and citizens. We have been striving to make our young people health-minded.

Last year we introduced a handwriting system in the lower grades. This year it is hoped that this will be extended to the other grades. Playground facilities have been improved during this last year. We have available two tennis courts,

a basketball court and a beautiful baseball field. These are an asset to the department.

The faithful services rendered by the School Committee and the loyal support given by the citizens of the community are worthy of commendation.

The reader's attention is called to the reports of all the departments, including the school calendar, directory, etc., which are worthy of careful reading. It may be noted that according to the financial report, the schools have been operated on a very low net cost to the taxpayers, which is slightly lower than last year. This low cost has not jeopardized the efficiency of our system.

I wish to express my thanks to the parents, teachers and pupils for their cooperation extended to me in my capacity as Superintendent. To you, Members of the School Committee, my sincere thanks for your hearty cooperation and friendship. It has been a pleasure to work with you and for you.

Respectfully submitted,

JULES I. PHILIE,

Superintendent of Schools.



## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

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TO MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit my annual report as Principal of the Mendon High School.

Registration figures at the present time show the enrollment by classes as follows: Grade 7, twenty; Grade 8, twenty-six; Grade 9, twenty; Grade 10, thirteen; Grade 11, eleven; Grade 12, seven; Total, ninety-seven. There are fifty-eight boys and thirty-nine girls in grades 7 to 12 inclusive. In the four grades of senior high school, registration figures show twenty-six boys and twenty-five girls.

Sixteen pupils were graduated on June 22, 1939: Mary L. Amantea, Mildred E. Bowen, Hazel E. Brown, Maynard C. Demers, Frank E. Dudley, Mary E. Elce, Ruth E. Ellison, Donald W. Kearsley, Nancy R. Magliocca, Lester P. Mann, Ruth McGaughey, Peter Oppewal, Nelson N. Perron, Eleanor C. Senical, Kenneth Taylor, Edgar L. White. Seven members of the class of 1939 are continuing their education in other institutions this year.

Prize speaking was held on the evening of May 19, 1939, at the Town Hall. First prize was won by Roland H. Taft; second prize by Maynard C. Demers; third prize by Regina M. Auty.

All school activities have been continued. A schedule of motion picture films has been arranged in cooperation with The United States Department of the Interior, and is being followed successfully. School clubs, musical and dramatic features, and the Netmocke Quill are carried on with good results under efficient leadership. The completion of the new playground will provide the facilities for a more satisfactory

program of sports and athletic activities than has been possible in recent years.

A copy of the courses of study is issued and will be gladly furnished to anyone interested. Numerous pupils appear to have no definite objective ahead and with such there is sometimes difficulty in making the high school work effective. It is particularly desirable that pupils intending to go to college or to schools of special training should plan studies to meet entrance requirements of institutions selected.

Equally important is a plan of study which prepares the pupil through regular hours of intensive concentration for the exacting demands of college work. Good scholarship to the extent of one's capacity coupled with good citizenship constitute the chief objective of high school education. Scholarship must of necessity depend on individual study on the part of the pupil. Native ability alone does not make a good student nor does it guarantee future success. Habits of work and concentration are equally important, if not more so, and the best time to cultivate and develop these fundamental habits of work and study is during the high school years. Any satisfactory degree of achievement calls for regular home study as the school hours are too limited to provide ample time for class preparation. No pupil is justified in excusing himself from home study on the grounds of having completed the work satisfactorily in school hours. Poor or mediocre records in school are often the result of little application rather than of poor ability.

Parents are invited to confer with the Principal and teachers on any matter relative to the school work.

In conclusion, I express my appreciation and that of the teachers for the cooperation and assistance of the Superintendent of Schools, School Committee, and townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Principal.

MENDON HIGH SCHOOL  
PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST  
MENDON TOWN HALL, MAY 19, 1939  
8.00 P. M.

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March—"All America"	Orchestra
My Account With the Unknown Soldier	Ames
Roland H. Taft	
A Gold Star Mother	Donnell
Marion L. Brady	
Song	First Grade Pupils
Builders of Destiny	Goldstein
Robert D. Swanson	
The Bow Arm	Donnell
E. Jane Coleman	
Rhythm Band—"Over the Waves"	
First and Second Grade Pupils	
They That Take the Sword	Dallinger
Elliott B. Taft	
Dog of War	Davenport
Regina M. Auty	
Song—"The Second Minuet"	
Fourth and Fifth Grade Pupils	
America Beware	Ames
Nello A. Allegrezza	
Alias Gally	Wayne
Dorothy E. Suomi	
Education Against Crime	Hoover
Maynard C. Demers	
Songs	
Fifth and Sixth Grade Pupils	



# GRADUATION EXERCISES

OF

## MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

UNITARIAN CHURCH

THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 1939, 8.00 O'CLOCK.

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### PROGRAM

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|---|--------|
| Processional—March Pontificale            | Gounod |
| Mr. David N. Gellatly                     |        |
| Invocation                                |        |
| Rev. Roy B. Wintersteen                   |        |
| Salutatory and Introduction               |        |
| Mildred E. Bowen                          |        |
| Essay—Democracy Defined                   |        |
| Frank E. Dudley                           |        |
| Essay—The Crisis of Present-Day Democracy |        |
| Hazel E. Brown                            |        |
| Essay—Problems Confronting Democracy      |        |
| Nelson N. Perron                          |        |
| Song—America, Beloved Land                | Wilson |
| High School Chorus                        |        |
| Essay—Strength and Advantage of Democracy |        |
| Ruth E. Ellison                           |        |
| Essay—Weaknesses of Democracy             |        |
| Donald W. Kearsley                        |        |
| Essay—The Basis of American Democracy     |        |
| Mary E. Spadoni                           |        |

- Essay—American Freedom and Civil Liberties  
Edgar L. White, Jr.
- Song—I'm Going Gypsying  
High School Chorus  
Wilson
- Essay—Democracy in the Home  
Ruth McGaughey
- Essay—Democracy in Education  
Maynard C. Demers
- Essay—Democracy in Industry  
Eleanor C. Senical
- Essay—Democracy in Government  
Lester P. Mann, Jr.
- Solo—Stout Hearted Men  
Edgar L. White, Jr.  
Romberg
- Essay—Democracy in Religion  
Mary L. Amantea
- Essay—Fundamental Needs of Democracy  
Kenneth Taylor
- Essay—Civic Responsibility in a Democracy  
Nancy R. Magliocca
- Valedictory  
Peter Oppewal
- Song—The Waltz of the Flowers  
High School Chorus  
Tschaikowski
- Presentation of Diplomas  
Mr. Donald B. Lowell, Chairman of School Committee
- Benediction  
Rev. Roy B. Wintersteen
- Recessional—March from "Aida"  
Mr. David N. Gellatly

## SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

### FOR 1939.

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TO MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

May I present to you the annual report of nursing work done in the Mendon Schools for the year ending December 31, 1939.

The school was visited on Tuesday of each week, when school was in session, throughout the year.

In January Dr. Vestal from the Boylston Sanatorium skin-tested 55 children as the first step in the fifth annual school chest clinic. Earlier in the month Dr. Glidden from the Boylston Sanatorium showed moving pictures of a chest clinic to the Junior and Senior High School pupils and teachers, demonstrating and explaining the procedure. 13 children, who were contacts to tuberculosis or showed a positive skin test, were given a chest X-ray and a complete physical examination.

In April and May Dr. Fielding from the Worcester County Extension Service was in charge of the annual school dental clinic. This clinic was in session in the science laboratory at Center School.

The following is a summary of the work done at this clinic. 280 children's mouths were inspected. 100 cleanings, 314 fillings and 92 extractions were done. 121 children had some work done on their teeth, and 96 had their dental work completed.

The Annual Toxoid Clinic for the prevention of diphtheria among the pre-school as well as school children was in session in April and May. 34 children received the three protective doses of Toxoid.

In May the school nurse arranged with the County Extension Service and the Southern Worcester County Health Association for a lecture and moving picture on Posture and Nutrition for the high school students.

The last of May and the first week in June were busy for the school nurse, weighing and measuring the children for the final report to the parents of the progress made throughout the year and awarding teeth tags to those pupils whose mouths were in good condition.

The school work was carried on in the summer, arranging for the corrections of physical defects, visiting children who were to enter school for the first time in September and urging early vaccinations and the correction of physical defects. About twenty of the defects found by Dr. Campbell in his 1938 examination were corrected throughout the year.

One little girl who is a contact to a case of tuberculosis was sent to the Sterling Health Camp for the summer. This was paid for by Christmas Seal sale money.

In September Miss Mildred Salmond, who has been doing school work in Mendon for some years, resigned from the District Nursing Staff to go to Vermont. Miss Olive Rogers was appointed to take her place as school nurse.

The time of the school nurse in September, October and November was almost wholly given over to Dr. Campbell's physical examinations, weighing and measuring the pupils in preparation for Dr. Campbell and general inspections of the pupils that will be given in 1940.

The following is a summary of the defects found by Dr. Campbell among the children examined. Enlarged tonsils, 33; enlarged tonsils and adenoids, 4; diseased tonsils, 4; anemia, 6; heart murmur, 6; irregular heartbeat, 3; slight heart condition, 2; wax in ears, 12; symptoms of nervousness, 2; eczema, 1; eye conditions needing attention, 2; dental cavities, 40.

Notices of the defects found were sent to parents or guardians.

Mumps, german measles, impetigo and chicken-pox were the diseases reported and investigated throughout 1939.

The following is a summary of the work done in the school buildings. General inspection of pupils, 610; classroom inspections of pupils, 656; pupils inspected for disease, 227; pupils excluded from school, 40; pupils given advice, 229; pupils treated for minor injuries, 42; health talks given to classes, 41; talks with teachers regarding pupils, 156; home visits, 190.

Three children were transported to doctors' offices for treatments.

Two children were transported to Memorial Hospital Eye Clinic in Worcester for a check on an eye condition.

In closing I wish to thank Mr. Philie for his cooperation, the teachers, School Committee, Board of Health and Welfare Board for their continued assistance, and the parents for their confidence and support.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVE S. ROGERS,

School Nurse.

HELEN C. GRADY,

Supervisor.

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR.

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MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—  
MENDON, MASS.

Dear Sir:—

I hereby submit my report of work done in music in the schools of Mendon for the year ending December, 1939.

Throughout the grades and High School, we have tried to teach the proper use of the singing voice. The pupils in the grades have been encouraged to use head tones. This practice helps to cultivate a true sense of pitch, and avoids any danger of voice strain.

Note reading has been stressed this year, and musical calisthenics and time drills have been used to develop rhythm.

Many of the well-known folk songs and all of the standard patriotic songs have been taught in the grades. In the High School these have been reviewed and works from the classics have been added.

I wish to express my thanks to you, Mr. Philie, the School Committee, Mr. Clough, and all of the teachers for the cooperation given to me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID N. GELLATLY,

Supervisor of Music.

Mendon, Mass., January 17, 1940.



# TOWN WARRANT

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Worcester, ss.*

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of  
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday, the fourth day of March A. D., 1940, punctually at nine o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:—A Town Clerk, for one year; one Selectman, for three years; one Assessor, for three years; a Town Treasurer, for one year; a Collector of Taxes, for one year; one Auditor, for one year; one Constable for one year; one Tree Warden, for one year; one Trustee of the Taft Public Library, for two years; one Park Commissioner for three years; one Highway Surveyor for one year; all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.



Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning January 1, 1940.

Article 6. To determine the compensation of the Tax Collector for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1940, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for Memorial Day services and appoint a committee to expend the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the care and improvement of the Old Cemetery, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the improvement and repairs of highways, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works as provided by Chapter 81 of the General Laws as amended, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the Gas Tax Refund received in 1940 from the State for Highway purposes; \$2250.00 to be used for Chapter 90 Maintenance in con-

junction with the State and County allotments and the balance to be used for General Highway purposes.

Article 12. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$641.06 for the operation and repair of Town machinery; said amount to be taken from the Road Machinery fund; or take any action in regard to the same.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise any sum of money for the care of Soldiers' and Sailors' graves or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors with the approval of the Commissioners of Corporation and Taxation to use such an amount of the free cash in the Treasury as in their judgment should be used, to reduce the tax levy of 1940.

Article 15. To see what action the Town will take regarding any legal proceedings that may be brought by or against the Town.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise any sum of money to provide work relief, and to hire equipment and purchase necessary material to be used in connection with the Works Progress Administration Projects.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Dog License Refund received from the Worcester County in 1939 to be used for General School expences in 1940 or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, after giving notice of the time and place of sale, by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town fourteen days at least before the sale, properly taken by the Town under tax title procedure, pro-

vided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$627.00 for street lights for the ensuing year.

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the tuition at the Worcester Industrial Trade School, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$1,569.10 for the Worcester County Hospital apportionment for Tuberculosis, or take any action in relation to the same.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon and causing a copy to be published once in the Milford Daily News, a newspaper published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon this 20th day of February, A. D., 1940.

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
HAROLD METCALF,

Selectmen of Mendon.

A true copy. Attest:





ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE

Municipal Year Ending December 31, 1940

274TH ANNUAL REPORT

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## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

1940.

## DOGS LICENSED IN 1940.

145 Males at \$2.00 each .....	\$290 00	
23 Females at \$5.00 each .....	115 00	
36 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each .....	72 00	
2 Kennel Licenses at \$25.00 each ....	50 00	
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		\$527 00
Less Clerk's fees, 206 licenses at 20c		41 20
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Cash paid Town Treasurer as per		
Monthly return .....		\$485 80

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM  
JANUARY 1, 1940 TO DECEMBER 31, 1940.

Series 1	Resident Citizen Fishing	59	\$2 00	\$118 00
2	Resident Citizen Hunting	40	2 00	80 00
3	Resident Citizen Sporting	47	3 25	152 75
4	Resident Citizen Minor			
	and Female Fishing	32	1 25	40 00
6	Resident Citizen Trapping	1	5 25	5 25
10	Non-resident Citizen			
	Fishing	3	5 25	15 75
14	Duplicate Licenses	3	50	1 50
				<hr/>
				\$413 25
	Fees retained by Clerk	182	25	45 50
Amount paid Division of Fisheries				
and Game as per Monthly reports				
sent in				\$367 75
Series No. 7	Resident Citizen Sport-			
	ing FREE	10		

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1940.

Date of Birth 1940	Name of Child	Parents with Maiden Name of Mother
Mar. 29	Janette Silbor	Hurley and Florence Thibeault
Apr. 9	Sally Aldrich Dobson	Ernest A. and Virginia Von Nosticz
Apr. 9	Francisca Wilhelmina Dobson	Ernest A. and Virginia Von Nosticz
Apr. 17	Leonard James Wiersma	George Louis and Jennie Oosterman
Apr. 17	Roy	Frank and Regina Beaudoin
May 15	Homer J. Lefrancois, Jr.	Homer J. and Doris Hodgkins
May 16	Rhoda Iris Neely	George Richard and Florence Barrows
May 20	John Shanahan	Charles John and Geraldine Murphy
May 21	Linda Louise Sabatinelli	Arthur A. and Louise Davenport
May 22	Stephen Winfield Chase	Robert W. and Anne E. O'Donnell
May 30	James Henry Higgins	James H. and Catherine Kelly
June 14	Douglas Elwin Taft	Austin Benner and Shirley L. Smith
July 3	Priscilla Arlene Dunlap	Ronald and Theresa DeManche
July 14	Beverly Jane Rhodes	Richard and Lillian Pearson
July 18	Judith Francine DeWolfe	James F. and Jean Sails
July 21	Richard Hensel	Charles and Arlene Manosh
July 22	Gordon Wynn Goodnow	Everett and Emily Claffin
July 27	Elaine Marie Carleton	Alfred and Helga Carlstrom
Sept. 18	Susan Mary Grant	William E. and Mary M. Foley
Dec. 1	Terry Clayton Parkinson	Clayton and Leola Osgood
Dec. 2	Faye Ann Sabatinelli	Aldo A. and Avis Alger
Dec. 6	Leo Joseph Lamothe	Joseph F. and Edwina Tetreault
Dec. 7	Hazel Esther Taft	George K. and Lois Lawrence
Dec. 18	Richard Mercure	Louis and Clara Fannie

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1940.

Date of Marriage 1940		Place of Marriage	Names	Residence
Jan.	24	Hopedale, Mass.	Aldo A. Sabatinelli	Mendon, Mass.
Apr.	18	Mendon, Mass.	Avis I. Alger	Hopedale, Mass.
Apr.	18	Milford, Mass.	Charles H. Scott	Norton, Mass.
			Bertha E. Styles	Norton, Mass.
			Roger Benjamin Crocker	Milford, Mass.
May	19	Mendon, Mass.	Elsie Taylor	Mendon, Mass.
			Lovell Cook Rawson	Wellesley, Mass.
			Agnes Cecelia Ochs	Norwood, Mass.
May	29	Salem, Mass.	Jesse Freeman White	Mendon, Mass.
			Margherita Osborn Cassino	Salem, Mass.
June	1	Milford, Mass.	Antonio Elidio Allegrezza	Mendon, Mass.
			Lena Evelyn Abbondanza	Milford, Mass.
June	9	Seabrook, N. H.	Edwin Lorenzo Miller	Mendon, Mass.
			Regina Margaret Auty	Mendon, Mass.
June	28	Hopedale, Mass.	Harold Irving Miller	Hopedale, Mass.
			Rita Elizabeth Patricia Grant	Mendon, Mass.
June	29	Mendon, Mass.	Nathaniel Brown Cox	Hopedale, Mass.
			Doris Mae Daniels	West Somerville, Mass.
June	29	Milford, Mass.	Harold Leslie Griffin	Hopedale, Mass.
			Mabel Metcalf	Mendon, Mass.
July	22	Bellingham, Mass.	Milo Sherwin Maynard	Mendon, Mass.
			Thelma Marie Chamberlain	Mendon, Mass.
Aug.	8	Braintree, Mass.	Gordon Russell Barrows	Mendon, Mass.
			Olean M. Tracy	Boston, Mass.
Aug.	24	Milford, Mass.	Harold Leoncini	Mendon, Mass.
			Catherine McAuliffe	Milford, Mass.
Aug.	24	Blackstone, Mass.	Donald Justin Allen	Mendon, Mass.
			Alice Lora Allaire	Blackstone, Mass.
Aug.	31	Hopedale, Mass.	Leo L. Tetreault	Mendon, Mass.
			Orise Lamothe	Mendon, Mass.
Aug.	31	Hopedale, Mass.	James David York	Mendon, Mass.
			Ora Marie Clement	Hopedale, Mass.
Sept.	28	Milford, Mass.	Glenn Albert Goodridge	Upton, Mass.
			Florence Louise Auty	Mendon, Mass.
Oct.	11	Mendon, Mass.	Elton Elijah Goulding	Sherborn, Mass.
			Ada Frances Thomas	Mendon, Mass.
Oct.	11	Bellingham, Mass.	John Henry Tower	Mendon, Mass.
			Irene Blanche Bessette	Mendon, Mass.
Oct.	13	Milford, Mass.	C. Harland Aldrich	Mendon, Mass.
			Thelema E. Abbott	Milford, Mass.
Nov.	28	Hopedale, Mass.	Merton Forbes Barrows	Mendon, Mass.
			Janet Lawrence Smith	Hopedale, Mass.

# DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1940.

Date of Death 1940	Name	Age			Cause of Death
		Y	M	D	
Jan. 25	Abel Carl Oscar Anderson	67	..	4	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Feb. 18	Herbert Benvie	70	2	9	Coronary Thrombosis
Feb. 18	Leslie Melvin Burr	46	6	21	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Feb. 29	Bernard Norman Rogers	66	11	27	Lobar Pneumonia
Mar. 1	George Edward Thayer	75	..	18	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Apr. 3	Mary Gertrude Boover	46	7	22	Abdominal Carcinoma
Apr. 21	Frank Herbert Wood	79	3	30	Broncho Pneumonia
Apr. 17	Female	..	..	..	Stillborn
May 16	Eustahio Pettinelli	65	..	13	Chronic Nephritis
June 1	James H. Higgins	..	..	3	Intracranial Hemorrhage
June 14	Thomas McTurk	78	10	2	Carcinoma of Pharynx
July 13	Ernest Albert Parkinson	45	10	1	Coronary Thrombosis
July 29	Luther M. Ramee	75	6	17	Coronary Sclerosis
Aug. 5	Patrick A. Clancey	93	..	3	General Arteriosclerosis
Aug. 5	Isaac Pelkey	79	11	21	Arterio-Sclerotic Heart Disease
Aug. 9	Warren M. Hazen	59	3	5	Coronary Sclerosis
Aug. 11	Annie E. Coffin	63	5	1	Coronary Sclerosis
Sept. 4	Edwin Allen Spalding	78	4	15	Coronary Thrombosis
Oct. 2	Alton Beal Rogers	13	4	26	Strangulation
Oct. 29	Clara Bertha Irons Aldrich	69	..	11	Peritonitis
Nov. 2	John Broughney	73	..	..	Strangulated Inguinal
Nov. 15	John James Whalen	1	6	25	Broncho Pneumonia
Nov. 21	John A. Whalen	51	11	2	Lobar Pneumonia
Dec. 27	Charlotte Frances Dolan	43	11	21	Rheumatic Heart Disease

NOTICE

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Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the Town Clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete.

Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after the birth in his house shall cause complete notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town in which such child is born. Parents should give this their prompt attention as it is very important and necessary for complete record.

## SOME OF THE MANY

## REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED.

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Your attention is called to the provisions of Section 36 and 55 of Chapter 207 of the General Laws relating to marriages solemnized out of this state, which are as follows:

"Section 29 of Chapter 151 of the Revised Laws: If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth who return to dwell here they shall, within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage, including the facts relative to marriages, which are required by law, and for neglect thereof shall forfeit ten dollars."

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs three months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's office on or before April 1, 1941.

I take this opportunity in wishing the Townspeople much prosperity during the year 1941.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1941.



## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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The Treasurer of the Town of Mendon submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

The Treasurer debits himself with receiving the following sums:—

Cash balance Jan. 1, 1940 .....	\$5,741 83
County Treasurer, Dog License Fees	436 46
Town Clerk, Dog License Fees .....	491 20
Licenses .....	156 00
County Treasurer, Dog Fund .....	84 45
Town Hall, Rent .....	302 00
Aid to Dependent Children .....	682 33
County Treasurer, Millville St. ....	2,500 00
State Treasurer, Millville St. ....	2,500 00
Income from School Fund .....	2,168 89
Corporation Taxes .....	880 67
State Treasurer, Temporary Aid .....	2,602 13
State Treasurer, Income Tax .....	4,269 01
C. C. Shattuck, Rebate on Gas .....	11 40
State Treasurer, Old Age Assistance	3,875 85
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 3499 .....	5,399 60
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 7371 .....	999 70
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 7371 .....	999 70
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, C. 504 .....	3,668 87
Other Receipts .....	20
State Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 7540 .....	443 67
County Treasurer, Div. of Highways, 7540 .....	443 67



State Treasurer, Inspector of Animals	60 00
State Treasurer, Vocational Education	13 60
Town of Westwood, Public Welfare .....	4 00
Town of Uxbridge, Public Welfare .....	119 25
State Treasurer, Tuition of Children	456 74
State Treasurer, School Superintendent	698 45
State Treasurer, High School Tuition	655 25
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes	31,500 00
State Treasurer, Gas, Electric Light and Water Tax .....	703 99
State Treasurer, Veterans' Exemption	32 31
Town Clerk, Sale of Town Annal .....	2 09
Felix Bessette, Fees from Hay Scales	14 80
State Treasurer, Forestry Department	50 00
Road Machine Reserve Fund .....	409 33
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	8 80
Verena R. Daley, Library Fines .....	11 87
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant .....	6,169 82
Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant	900 73
Town of Medway, Public Welfare .....	102 00
Public Welfare Refund .....	4 00
T. W. Thayer Cemetery Fund .....	1 75
Support of Indigent Persons .....	159 00

Arthur P. Dalton, Collector of Taxes.

1938 Property .....	\$1,904 40
1939 Property .....	8,378 90
1939 Excise .....	95 96
1940 Poll .....	831 30
1940 Excise .....	2,973 87
1940 Property .....	30,110 86
Total Receipts .....	<hr/> \$125,030 70

TAX TITLES.

Seven Tax Titles .....	\$477 87
One Tax Title in Land Court .....	353 56

The Treasurer Credits himself with paying the following amounts:—

Support of Schools .....	\$18,389 79
General Repairs, Highways .....	1,190 00
Road Machinery .....	640 89
WPA .....	4,400 00
Snow Removal .....	4,195 98
Street Lights .....	627 00
Fire Department .....	678 22
Gas Tax Refund .....	1,428 19
Soldiers' Relief .....	26 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves .....	20 00
Insurance .....	837 75
Board of Health .....	471 43
Police Department .....	700 00
Worcester County Hospital .....	1,569 10
Bonds for Town Officers .....	105 50
Library .....	675 00
Worcester Trade School .....	18 00
Chapter 81, Highways .....	8,999 33
Chapter 90, Maintenance .....	2,999 99
Chapter 90, Millville St. ....	3,250 00
Forest Fires .....	493 63
Motor Tax Refund .....	91 97
Moth Suppression .....	200 00
Park Department .....	99 10
Memorial Day .....	80 60
Officers' Salaries .....	2,208 56
Incidentals .....	2,497 64
Old Age Assistance .....	13,313 31
Mothers' Aid .....	2,402 65
Public Welfare .....	6,897 20
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes...	23,000 00
Home National Bank, Interest .....	97 03
Merchants National Bank, School House Notes .....	2,000 00
Merchants National Bank, Interest ...	413 11

Tree Warden .....	145 00	
County Treasurer, Dog License Fees	491 20	
County Tax .....	1,981 24	
State Tax .....	3,520 00	
State Parks and Reservations .....	49 49	
Director of Accounts .....	10 00	
Total Payments .....		\$111,213 90
Cash Balance January 1, 1941 .....		13,816 80
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		\$125,030 70

## SCHOOL PROJECT, 1395, D. S.

## DR.

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\$520 69

## CR.

By Cash Paid Dunn-Galvin Corp. ....	\$303 80	
By Cash Paid Merchants National Bank, Interest .....	216 89	
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		\$520 69

## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$731 10	
Cash in Worcester County Institution	687 06	
Interest Milford Savings Bank .....	18 39	
Interest Worcester County Institution	13 80	
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		\$1,450 35

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$749 49	
By Cash in Worcester County Institu- tion .....	700 86	
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		\$1,450 35

## F. N. THAYER CEMETERY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....		\$3 50
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## CR.

Cash Paid 1 Town Order .....	\$2 50	
Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$3 50

## FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,227 60	
To Interest Milford Savings Bank .....	130 24	
	<hr/>	\$5,357 84

## CR.

1 Library Order .....	\$100 71	
Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	5,229 19	
1 Library Order .....	27 94	
	<hr/>	\$5,357 84

## RESERVE FUND

\$1,000 00

Transferred to Police Department .....	\$150 00	
Transferred to General Repairs .....	190 00	
Transferred to Work Relief .....	400 00	
Transferred to Gas Tax Refund .....	10 00	
Transferred to Tree Warden .....	50 00	
Transferred to Snow Removal .....	196 00	
	<hr/>	\$996 00
Balance .....		4 00
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		\$1,000 00

Respectfully submitted,  
 MOSES U. GASKILL,  
 Treasurer.

January 1, 1941.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

### INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation ..... \$2,500 00

#### CARE AND OPERATION OF TOWN HALL.

George A. Johnson, janitor .....	\$150 00
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	76 20
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	1 98
Leonard N. Jaques & Sons, supplies ....	8 00
William R. Bowen, wood .....	42 00
Milford Locksmith, keys .....	3 15
Lester C. Hill, stock and labor .....	3 45
Barney Coal Co., coal .....	113 50
Goss & Whiting, repairs .....	53 43
Charles E. Clark, stock and labor .....	23 95
M. M. Goodnow Co., stock and labor ....	50 56
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	4 27
	\$530 49

#### CARE AND OPERATION OF RECORD ROOM.

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., toll calls .....	\$51 50
Louis Marlow, janitor .....	36 50
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	10 91
Leonard N. Jaques & Sons, supplies ....	45
R. O. Sweet, cleaning oil burner .....	3 00
Goss & Whiting, stock and labor .....	59 50
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	64
Massachusetts Reformatory, chairs .....	16 34
Clark & Shaughnessy, oil .....	73 60
	\$252 44

## BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS.

Payroll No. 1, Annual Town Meeting	\$31 50	
Payroll No. 2, Pre-Primary Election ..	11 00	
Payroll No. 3, Primary Election .....	14 00	
Payroll No. 4, Presidential Election ....	45 50	
Payroll No. 5 Recount on Alcoholic Beverages .....	8 00	
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		\$110 00

## TOWN CLERK.

Postage and Money Orders .....	\$3 63	
Toll calls .....	1 70	
Supplies .....	1 60	
Making Keys .....	50	
Swearing in Town Officers .....	5 00	
Expenses to meetings .....	32 50	
American Writing Ink Co. ....	84	
Robinson Seal Co. ....	94	
Recording births, deaths and marriages	42 00	
The Charlescraft Press .....	19 65	
The Clark Printing Co. ....	4 50	
Cahill's News Agency .....	11 11	
Atlas Rubber Stamp Co. ....	2 15	
Joseph Edwards, return of two deaths	50	
Walter W. Watson, return of two deaths	50	
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		\$127 12

## TAX COLLECTOR.

The Barre Gazette .....	\$26 75	
Postage .....	42 25	
The Forbes Press .....	16 75	
Use of auto .....	10 00	
Hobbs & Warren .....	9 35	
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		\$105 10

## TOWN TREASURER.

Making Schedule A .....	\$10 00
Use of auto .....	25 00



The Charlescraft Press, supplies .....	9 25	
Postage .....	56 62	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....	36	
	<hr/>	\$101 23

## INSPECTION OF ANIMALS.

Moses U. Gaskill, salary .....	\$120 00	
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## SELECTMEN.

Postage .....	\$31 00	
Expenses to meetings .....	94 00	
Dues for Selectmen's Association .....	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$131 00

## ASSESSORS.

Wor. County Abstract Co., Abstracts	\$17 98	
George R. Barnstead & Son, cards .....	1 00	
Carl Taft, use of auto .....	20 00	
Expenses to meetings .....	5 00	
Charles F. Leonard, copying valuation book as required by law (Chap. 59, Sec. 49) .....	30 00	
Cahill's News Agency .....	3 77	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....	28 34	
	<hr/>	\$106 09

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Walter Taylor, salary .....	\$40 00
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## DOG OFFICER.

Harold C. Barrows, salary .....	\$10 00
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## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Wor. County Commissioners .....	\$6 00
Alfred B. Cenedella, salary .....	105 00



Herbert S. Wood, (Estate of Frank H. Wood) as moderator .....	5 00	
Repairing Hay Scales .....	6 00	
Cahill's News Agency (Highway Dep't.) .....	31 60	
William R. Bowen, delivering Town Reports .....	10 00	
Payroll No. 6, Painting Town Bounds .....	60 00	
Payroll No. 7, labor and truck .....	24 00	
The Charlescraft Press, printing Town Reports .....	231 00	
The Charlescraft Press, supplies .....	8 65	
Cahill's News Agency .....	18 25	
The Forbes Press .....	11 35	
F. N. Thayer Cemetery Fund .....	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$518 60

## ADVERTISING.

Milford Daily News, Warrants, notices and tax sales .....	\$86 07	
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## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

The Clark Printing Co. ....	\$35 00	
Henry P. Clough, Registrars' lists .....	15 00	
The Charlescraft Press .....	4 65	
George W. Billings .....	29 00	
D. Kinsley Barnes, listing .....	20 00	
Charles F. Bagg, listing .....	14 00	
Joseph W. McEwen, listing .....	8 25	
Albert S. Coleman, listing and clerical work .....	52 00	
D. Kinsley Barnes, salary .....	10 00	
Joseph W. McEwen, salary .....	10 00	
Clifford Entwistle, salary .....	10 00	
Albert S. Coleman, salary .....	20 00	
Robinson Seal Co., supplies .....	31 60	
	<hr/>	\$259 50

## SUMMARY.

Appropriation .....	\$2,500 00	
Expended .....	2,497 64	
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Unexpended .....	\$2 36	

## BALANCE OF SCHOOL FUND.

Paid Merchants National Bank, Boston      \$216 89

## INSURANCE ON TOWN BUILDINGS.

Appropriation .....		\$840 00
Expended:		
George Insurance Agency .....	\$837 75	
Unexpended .....	2 25	
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		\$840 00

## THAYER CEMETERY FUND.

Cash on hand in bank .....		\$3 50
Expended .....	\$2 50	
Unexpended .....	1 00	
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		\$3 50

## WORCESTER COUNTY TRADE SCHOOL TUITION.

Appropriation .....		\$18 00
Paid Worcester Trade School .....	\$18 00	
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		\$18 00

## RESERVE FUND.

Appropriation .....		\$1,000 00
Transferred to Tree Warden Account	\$50 00	
Transferred to Snow removal .....	196 00	
Transferred to General repairs .....	190 00	
Transferred to WPA appropriation ....	400 00	
Transferred to Police Department .....	150 00	

Transferred to Gas Tax refund .....	10 00	
Unexpended .....	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 00

## SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation .....		\$2,350 00
Expended .....	\$2,208 56	
Unexpended .....	141 44	
	<hr/>	\$2,350 00

## Expenditures:

Arthur P. Dalton, Tax Collector .....	\$443 51	
Moses U. Gaskill, Treasurer .....	250 00	
Albert S. Coleman, Town Clerk .....	125 00	
William R. Bowen, Chairman of Select-		
men 1 year, Member of Welfare		
Board 1 year .....	156 00	
Harold Metcalf, Chairman of Welfare		
Board 1 year, Member of Select-		
men 1 year .....	170 00	
Roy A. Barrows, Member of Select-		
men 1 year, Member of Welfare		
Board 1 year .....	81 00	
Robert M. Donnelly, Superintendent of		
Streets .....	483 00	
Charles F. Leonard, Chairman of		
Assessors, 1 year .....	250 00	
Carl M. Taft, Assessor .....	100 00	
Edward Whiting, Assessor .....	100 05	
Harold C. Barrows, Constable .....	25 00	
William A. Barry, Auditor .....	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,208 56
Unexpended .....		141 44
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		\$2,350 00

## PARK DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation .....		\$100 00
Expended .....	\$99 10	
Unexpended .....	90	
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Expended for labor .....	\$79 50	
Leonard N. Jaques & Sons, seed .....	1 60	
Rosenfeld Sand & Gravel Co., loam ....	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$99 10
Unexpended .....		90
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		\$100 00

## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

No Expenditures

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation .....		\$85 00
Expenditures:		
Clifton Marshall Post American Legion .....	\$4 00	
Tilliston Post American Legion .....	35 00	
Post 22, G A. R. ....	5 00	
Parkinson Bros. ....	5 00	
J. Frank Leonard .....	5 00	
Johnson Bus Lines, Inc. ....	10 00	
Harold J. Parkinson .....	5 00	
C. C. Shattuck .....	11 60	
	<hr/>	\$80 60
Unexpended .....		4 40
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		\$85 00

## BONDS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation .....		\$108 00
James W. Hennigan .....	\$10 00	

Karl A. Bright .....	95 50	
	<hr/>	\$105 50
Unexpended .....		2 50
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		\$108 00

#### WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

Appropriation .....		\$1,569 10
Expended:		
Care and Maintenance .....	\$781 59	
Interest on Bonds .....	237 51	
Construction .....	550 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,569 10

#### STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriation .....		\$627 00
Expended		
Worcester Sub. Elec. Co. ....	\$627 00	
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#### SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES.

Appropriation .....	\$20 00	
Expended		
Paid Swandale Cemetery Ass'n. ....	\$20 00	
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#### MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX REFUND.

Expended, 1940 .....	\$91 97	
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#### MOTH SUPPRESSION.

Appropriation .....		\$200 00
Expended		
Payrolls .....	\$187 00	
Transportation .....	3 00	
W. N. Seibert, salary as Sup't. ....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$200 00

Respectfully Submitted,  
WILLARD N. SEIBERT,  
Moth Superintendent.

## SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation .....		\$100 00
Expended:		
Milford Hospital, 1 case .....	\$26 00	
Unexpended .....	74 00	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

## ASSETS.

## Uncollected Taxes:

1939 Property Taxes .....	\$1,901 73	
1940 Excise Taxes .....	112 35	
1940 Property Taxes .....	8,218 34	
	<hr/>	\$10,232 42

Due from the State of Massachusetts  
on Highways:

Millville Road, Special Allotment ....	\$ 30	
Chapter 90, Maintenance .....	556 33	
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Due from the County of Worcester on  
Highways:

Millville Road, Special Allotment .....	30	
Chapter 90, Maintenance .....	556 33	
	<hr/>	\$556 63

## Welfare:

Due from the State of Massachusetts  
for Temporary Aid:

1940 Account .....	\$1,684 54	
Due from the Town of Medway .....	312 00	
Due from the Town of Uxbridge .....	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,044 54

## Old Age Assistance:

Due from Town of Milford (1939)	\$134 84
Due from Town of Milford (1940)	27 50

Due from State of Mass. (9 months)	
April 1 to Dec. 31, 1940 .....	3,501 12
Due from State of Mass. (1939) .....	196 67
Due Federal Grant Oct., Nov., and Dec., 1940 .....	1,728 00
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	\$5,588 13

## Aid to Dependent Children:

Due Federal Grant Nov. and Dec. ....	\$105 00
Due from State of Mass. July 1, 1939 to June 30, 1940, one case .....	258 33
Due State of Mass. other cases July 1, 1940 .....	289 33
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	\$652 66

Cash in Hands of Treasurer .....	\$13,816 80
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	\$13,816 80

## Tax Titles:

7 Titles .....	\$477 87
1 Title in Land Court .....	353 56
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	\$831 43

Total Assets .....	\$34,279 24
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## LIABILITIES.

Due County of Worcester for Con- struction and Equipment of Wor- cester County Hospital .....	\$4,400 00
Kennedy, Spencer & Co., bonds on School House Addition .....	26,000 00
Home National Bank (Notes on antici- pation of revenue .....	26,500 00
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	\$56,900 00



## LIST OF JURORS.

Robert Bartlett	Millville Road	Laborer
Robert M. Donnelly	Uxbridge Road	Supt. of Streets
John J. Driscoll	Main Street	Machinist
Jesse F. White	North Avenue	Salesman
Aldo Sabatinelli	Milford Street	Contractor
William R. Bowen	Bates Street	Poultryman
Ernest E. Souls	Bates Street	Pattern Maker
Harold Metcalf	Uxbridge Road	Clerk
Ellis L. Cook	Bellingham Street	Poultryman
George G. Davenport	North Avenue	Farmer
Silas H. Dudley	Maple Street	Collector
Roy A. Barrows	Blackstone Street	Dairyman
John J. O'Sullivan	Thayer Road	Poultryman
William F. Irons, Jr.	Main Street	Musician
Walter Taylor	Blackstone Street	Factory Worker

## SUMMARY.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Incidentals	\$2,500.00	\$2,497.64	\$2.36	
Salaries of Town Officers	2,350.00	2,208.56	141.44	
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	996.00	4.00	
Worcester County Hospital	1,569.10	1,569.10		
Moth Suppression	200.00	200.00		
Bonds of Town Officers	108.00	105.50	2.50	
Soldiers' Relief	100.00	26.00	74.00	
Board of Health	500.00	471.43	28.57	
Police Department	550.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	150.00			
	<u>\$700.00</u>	700.00		
Interest on Loans	100.00	97.03	2.97	
Memorial Day	85.00	80.60	4.40	
Park Department	100.00	99.10	.90	
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	20.00	20.00		
Tuition Trade School	Paid from School			
	Funds			
Street Lights	627.00	627.00		
Board of Public Welfare	9,000.00	6,897.20	2,102.80	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,000.00			

## SUMMARY—Continued.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Received from U. S. Grant	902.42	2,402.65	499.77	
General Repairs	\$1,000.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	190.00			
	— \$1,190.00	1,190.00		
Bureau of Old Age Assistance	\$8,000.00			
Received from U. S. Grant	5,987.23			
	— \$13,987.23	13,032.01	955.22	
Administration Account for Old Age Assistance				
Received from Federal Grant	289.31	281.30	8.01	
Chapter 81				
Town Appropriation	\$3,600.00			
Received from State	5,400.00			
	— \$9,000.00	8,999.33	.67	
Chapter 90 Maintenance				
Town Appropriation from Gas Tax Refund	\$1,000.00			
Received from State	1,000.00			
Received from County	1,000.00			
	— \$3,000.00	2,999.99	.01	

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Chapter 232 Gas Tax Refund	1,428.87	1,428.19	.68	
Chapter 90 Millville Road				
Town Appropriation from Gas Tax Refund	\$1,250.00			
County Allotment	1,000.00			
State Allotment	1,000.00	3,250.00		
	\$3,250.00			
Snow Removal	\$4,000.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	196.00	4,195.98	.02	
	\$4,196.00			
Road Machinery Account	\$641.06	640.89	.17	
Tree Warden	\$100.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	50.00	145.00	5.00	
	\$150.00			
Fire Department	700.00	678.22	21.78	
Forest Fires	500.00	493.63	6.37	
Taft Public Library	675.00	675.00		

## SUMMARY—Continued.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Emergency Relief Fund	\$4,000.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	400.00			
	<u>\$4,400.00</u>	4,400.00		
Schools	\$17,958.82			
Dog License Refund	436.46			
	<u>\$18,395.28</u>	18,389.79	5.49	
Insurance on Public Buildings	840.00	837.75	2.25	
Thayer Cemetery Fund	3.50	2.50	1.00	
	<u>\$84,507.77</u>	\$80,637.39	<u>\$3,870.38</u>	

Again the Board of Selectmen wish to express their appreciation for the cooperation of the Town Officials and the Townspeople.

This cooperative spirit between different Departments of the Town in keeping the unemployed from the Welfare rolls is manifested by the unexpended balances we are very happy to turn back to the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS,

HAROLD METCALF,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN, Chairman,

January 1, 1941.

Selectmen.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

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TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
GENTLEMEN:

I hereby submit my annual report of the work done by the Highway Department during 1940, with recommendations for the coming year.

### CHAPTER 81.

This year we have surfaced 7 roads under maintenance, namely; Park, Miscoe, Washington, Pleasant, Cemetery, Bates, and Bellingham Streets, and have rebuilt Maple, Elm and 1500 feet on Blackstone Street. Maple and Elm Streets were given a stone-asphalt mixed in place surface treatment. In all, approximately 16,500 gallons of tarvia and asphalt were applied to the various Chapter 81 roads.

1750 yards of gravel and 450 yards of stone were spread on several roads. 85 yds. of ledge were removed on Blackstone Street to allow for widening and 570 feet of cement pipe culvert and storm water drainage. While installing the drainage on Maple Street from the Post Office to Elm Street, Y connections were made at each house to allow surface water standing in the cellars to flow into the new street drain. New drainage was installed on Elm Street to connect with Maple Street and several traffic signs were erected on different roads.

### CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

Again this year different sections of our Chapter 90 roads were treated with a hot tarvia and pea stone cover. In all, 9000 gallons of tar was applied over a distance of 3 miles of



road. A number of waterways were stone paved on the different roads, brush cut, shoulders cleaned and drainage ditches opened up and cleaned.

At the end of this year we find our Chapter 90 roads in a good condition as to road surface. We can now turn more attention to improving drainage conditions and widening certain places which are at present under the standard 20 foot width and have a dangerously high crown. North Avenue in particular needs much work of this nature done.

### CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

Construction on Millville Street was completed this fall. This road will provide a short cut to Millville and the road to Connecticut and New York. With the completion of Millville Street, all connecting roads with other towns but one are Chapter 90 and in good condition. The exception being Hartford Avenue West, known as the old Hartford Pike, connecting with Uxbridge and Whitinsville. This road for years has been impassable with mud in the spring of the year and rough to travel over the balance of the year. The State has withheld expenditure of any sum except for patching on this section until such time as the town had completed its Chapter 90 program on Northbridge and Millville Roads. It is now scheduled to be our next 90 Construction project for the next 2 years.

### ROAD MACHINERY.

This year we have purchased a new  $\frac{1}{2}$  bag cement mixer to replace our old one. The old mixer was so old that we could not buy parts any longer for it and so sold it for the same price we purchased it at. The new mixer was used by the WPA on the sidewalk project continuously and also on the Highway department for tar patch mixing at the High School for the tennis courts and two walks.

Our Roller was again hired by the Town of Millville and also by the State in Millville. We also received a refund on the gas used by the town equipment.

## RECOMMENDATIONS.

Last year the town voted that \$1000.00 of the gas tax refund be expended as the town's share on 90 Maintenance, and \$1250.00 of the refund for the completion of Millville Street, with the balance to be spent for general highway repairs. In this way the town saved \$2250.00 in direct taxation to the property taxpayers.

In making this distribution to the cities and towns, all Chapter 90 Construction was omitted for 2 years and the money in the Highway Fund was diverted to reduce the State debt. Considering the enormous state debt which faced the Governor in 1939 it was sound business to take the money and reduce the state debt of \$40,000,000. by one half. This year however the Governor and State Planning Board have recommended a return of all Chapter 90 Construction and also a distribution of 1 cent of the 3 cent tax to the cities and towns to be used to finance their normal highway needs. There being adequate funds in the Highway Fund, this can be accomplished and approximately \$7,000,000. returned as a gas tax refund. If the Legislature passes this measure, I would recommend that the town take such sums as are necessary for Chapter 90 Maintenance and 90 Construction from this refund. This will save any appropriation of funds by the town for this work.

## SUMMARY.

This year the road mileage in the county towns has been rechecked by the State engineers with the result that we lose a total of one mile in our road mileage, although we have had turned back to us by the State the old section of State road on Bates Street. Because of this loss in road mileage it will be necessary for the town to appropriate \$3500. this coming year instead of \$3600.

We have added again this year to our hard surfaced road mileage, and with the tarring of certain secondary roads by the WPA this year, our entire road system will have prog-

ressed to the point where we will be one of but few towns in Worcester County with practically all hard surfaced roads.

### CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I again wish to sincerely thank the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of the town for their continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROBERT M. DONNELLY,  
 Superintendent of Streets.

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### GENERAL REPAIRS.

Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	190 00	
		<hr/> \$1,190 00

### EXPENDITURES.

#### PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$659 00	
Equipment .....	369 00	
		<hr/> \$1,028 00

### MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

C. C. Shattuck, gas and oil .....	\$14 05	
N. E. Bolt Co., guard rail fittings .....	13 68	
Barrett Co., 114 gal. tarvia .....	10 24	
Corbett Pipe Co., pipe .....	86 60	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	35 48	
Curtiss Coal Co., lime .....	1 95	
		<hr/> \$162 00
Total expenditures .....		\$1,190 00

## CHAPTER 81.

Town Appropriation .....	\$3,600 00	
State Allotment .....	5,400 00	
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		\$9,000 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$3,482 75	
Equipment .....	3,285 25	
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		\$6,768 00

## GRAVEL AND STONE.

M. U. Gaskill .....	\$109 00	
M. L. Goldthwaite .....	19 18	
Rosenfeld Stone .....	222 81	
Varney Bros. ....	32 96	
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		\$383 95

## SURFACING MATERIALS.

N. E. Asphalt Co., 10,600 gal. ....	\$1,062 03	
Barrett Co., 5,600 gal. ....	499 94	
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		\$1,561 97

## PIPE.

Corbett Pipe Co., 304 feet .....		\$121 60
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## EMPLOYEES LIABILITY INSURANCE.

H. A. Daniels Co. ....	\$163 81	
Total Expenditures .....	\$8,999 33	
Balance .....	67	
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		\$9,000 00

## CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE.

Town Appropriation (Transfer from Gas Tax Refund) .....	\$1,000 00
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State Allotment .....	1,000 00	
County Allotment .....	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$802 50	
Equipment .....	1,074 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,876 50

## EMPLOYEE LIABILITY INSURANCE.

H. A. Daniels Co. ....	\$36 59
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## SURFACING MATERIALS.

American Bitumuls Co., 1,500 gal. ....	\$156 87	
Barrett Co., 7,200 gal. ....	619 15	
	<hr/>	\$776 02

## SAND AND STONE.

Rosenfeld Stone Co. ....	\$278 56
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

N. E. Bolt Co., guard rail cable .....	\$32 32
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Total Expenditures .....	\$2,999 99
Unexpended Balance .....	01

## CHAPTER 90—(Millville Road).

Town (Transferred from State Gas Tax Refund) .....	\$1,250 00	
County Allotment .....	1,000 00	
State Allotment .....	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,250 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$795 63	
Equipment .....	1,627 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,423 13

## EMPLOYEES LIABILITY INSURANCE.

H. A. Daniels Co. ....	\$36 10
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## SURFACING MATERIALS.

Barrett Co., 6,300 gal. ....	\$549 77
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## GRAVEL.

M. U. Gaskill, 2,200 yd. ....	\$220 00
M. L. Goldthwaite, 300 yd. ....	21 00
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	\$241 00

Total Expenditures .....	\$3,250 00
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## GAS TAX REFUND.

Received from State .....	\$3,668 87
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	10 00
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	\$3,678 87

## EXPENDITURES.

Transferred to Chapter 90 Maintenance	\$1,000 00
Transferred to Chapter 90 Millville Rd.	1,250 00
Balance for General Highway repairs	1,428 87
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	\$3,678 87
Balance after transfers to other accounts	\$1,428 87

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$469 75
Equipment .....	78 00
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	\$547 75

## SURFACING MATERIALS.

Barrett Co., 5,400 gal. ....	\$591 44
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

Berger Co., (steel arch for Maple St.)	\$264 00
Hedge-Mattheis Co., pump rental .....	25 00
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	\$289 00



Total Expenditures .....	\$1,428 19	
Unexpended Balance .....	68	
	<hr/>	\$1,428 87

## SNOW REMOVAL.

Appropriation .....	\$4,000 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	196 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,196 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$2,385 00	
Equipment .....	1,486 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,871 00

## NEW EQUIPMENT.

Dyar Sales Co., sand spreader .....	\$75 00
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## SUPPLIES.

Fisk-Alden Co., chains for tractor .....	\$18 00	
Milford Grain Co., road salt .....	4 50	
Worcester Chemical Co., calcium chloride .....	63 17	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	23 44	
Sunnyside Station, grease for tractor ....	4 45	
Deke's Station, gas and oil .....	90 52	
Dyar Sales Co., snow shovels .....	45 90	
	<hr/>	\$249 98
Total Expended .....	\$4,195 98	
Balance .....	02	
	<hr/>	\$4,196 00

## ROAD MACHINERY.

Appropriation .....	\$641 06
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## EXPENDITURES.

## GAS AND OIL.

C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	\$198 36	
Deke's Station, oil and grease .....	16 43	
Sunnyside Station, grease .....	14 25	
Eddie's Station, grease .....	1 00	
Clark & Shaughnessey, oil .....	19 60	
	<hr/>	\$249 64

## REPAIRS.

Fisk-Alden Co., parts .....	\$33 65	
A. & J. Ignition Co., magneto parts ....	10 50	
Western Auto Co., plugs and gaskets ....	5 07	
Haynes Welding Co. ....	16 50	
E. O. Rose & Son, repairs .....	2 20	
Wm. Ross, sharpening picks and bars ....	8 60	
	<hr/>	\$76 52

## SUPPLIES.

L. N. Jaques Co., supplies .....	\$49 11	
Bradbury-Locke, lime and lumber .....	7 03	
F. A. Gould, bolts .....	1 40	
Milford Hardware Co., lanterns .....	17 35	
Allied Steel Co., blasting chain .....	34 83	
Warren Sampson Co., cement mixer ....	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$259 72

## MISCELLANEOUS.

H. A. Daniels Co., insurance premium	\$ 18	
American Express, freight .....	1 83	
Dr. Campbell, accident calls .....	19 00	
L. Tetreault, labor on tractor .....	17 00	
A. Auty, labor on tractor .....	17 00	
	<hr/>	\$55 01
Total Expended .....	\$640 89	
Unexpended .....	17	
	<hr/>	\$641 06

## ROAD MACHINERY FUND.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1939 .....	\$ 17	
Road charges during 1940 .....	247 00	
Dept. of Public Works, rental .....	61 88	
Lake Nipmuc Park Co., grader rental .....	15 00	
H. Donway, sale of old mixer .....	5 00	
L. Bronson, roller rental .....	1 00	
R. Donnelly, roller rental .....	10 00	
Town of Millville, roller rental .....	188 50	
	<hr/>	\$528 55

## EXPENDITURES.

Bowen's Garage, gas and oil .....	\$38 32	
E. O. Rose & Son, scarifier teeth .....	50 73	
Wm. Irons, roller operator .....	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$119 05

## SUMMARY.

Total Receipts .....	\$528 55	
Total Expenditures .....	119 05	
Balance Available for 1941 .....	<hr/>	\$409 50

## WPA

During the past year the local WPA have worked on five different projects. Four of them in Mendon; namely, Moth Suppression, Stump Removal and Tree-Trimming, Farm-to-Market Roads and Sidewalks and Drainage, and one project in Northbridge, a state-wide stream clearance project on which no town contribution has been necessary except a little gasoline for transportation of the men.

In the winter and early spring the men worked on Moth Suppression and Stump Removal and Tree Trimming, completing these projects which had been in operation from the previous year. From May until July a road project was operated. On this project ledge was removed, new culverts installed, stone fill base was laid, the road straightened in many places, side drainage ditches opened up and a good gravel course spread on top and the road graded.

In July we started work on the Maple Street and North Avenue sidewalk project, which included storm water drainage on both roads. On Maple Street from Willow Brook to Emerson Street, 500 feet of 12-inch concrete pipe was laid including 4 catch basins while on North Avenue 700 feet of 12-inch pipe and 3 catch basins were installed from the High School to the State drainage system on Route 16. The open drainage from 2 lines at the High School were piped into this new line.

1350 feet of cement sidewalks  $5\frac{1}{2}$  feet wide were laid including driveways while in front of the store and Post Office the walk and steps were changed to allow pedestrians to continue on the walk from Main Street to the store without walking in the street while turning the corner. On North Avenue ledge was encountered all the distance from the State Road to the High School, necessitating considerable drilling and blasting before the pipe could be laid. This work slowed up the progress on the sidewalks so that due to the weather and the lateness of the season the pouring of the cement walks was postponed until Spring.

The tennis courts at the school were finished during the Summer. A Tarvia playing surface was applied which will do away with continual maintenance expense.

### CONCLUSION.

Due to new Federal laws this year, the town was compelled to contribute 25% of the total cost of all projects operated. The WPA payrolls for the year, including the Federal Music project on which Mendon has one person employed, totaled approximately \$15,200.00 while the town's contribution was \$4,400.00 or 22% of the total cost. The other 3% necessary to make our 25% contribution was made up by a charge on the Federal payrolls of my time as supervisor with no actual cost to the town.

During the year we averaged 21 men employed on various projects although many have recently gone into private industry due to the defense program. We have in reserve several projects including three projects which I have just had approved in Washington for new road construction, top surfacing of secondary roads with Tarvia, and new sidewalks and drainage in the center of the town on Elm, Main, and Providence Streets.

I would like to repeat what I said last year in my report to the effect that I would welcome suggestions for new projects and especially for projects from the Park Commissioners, School Committee, Library Trustees and all town officials for improvements to town property and buildings.

Respectfully submitted,  
ROBERT M. DONNELLY,  
WPA Coordinator.

## WPA APPROPRIATION.

Town Appropriation .....	\$4,000 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	400 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,400 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$662 20	
Equipment .....	1,739 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,401 70

## MATERIALS.

M. U. Gaskill, gravel .....	\$80 70	
Arthur Robinson, gravel .....	34 20	
Lake Nipmuc Ice Co., lumber .....	80	
Fiske Lumber Co., lumber .....	19 62	
Bradbury-Locke, lumber .....	44 67	
Curtiss Coal Co., lumber and pipe .....	181 99	
Rosenfeld Stone Co., cement, stone, dynamite .....	401 08	
Barrett Co., Tarvia .....	88 20	
Winchester Brick Co., manhole brick	43 50	
Corbett Pipe Co., pipe .....	198 80	
State Prison, frames and grates .....	120 32	
Berger Culvert Co., pipe culverts .....	118 25	
	<hr/>	\$1,332 13

## TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT.

Dyar Sales Co., shovels .....	\$32 50	
Hedge-Mattheis, picks .....	12 82	
Warren Sampson Co., payment on mixer	127 00	
B. L. Makepeace Co., transit and blue- prints .....	180 10	
	<hr/>	\$352 42

## SUPPLIES.

Deke's Station, gas .....	\$8 95	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	15 14	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	152 38	
R. Donnelly, project expenses .....	48 00	
Wm. Ross, tool repairs .....	13 90	
Universal Crane, roller rental .....	36 45	
Grafton-Upton R. R., freight .....	95	
J. J. Gibbs, first-aid kit .....	1 98	
Treasurer of U. S., town contribution to music project (\$3.00 per month)	36 00	
	<hr/>	\$313 75

## SUMMARY.

Pay Rolls .....	\$2,401 70	
Materials .....	1,998 30	
	<hr/>	\$4,400 00

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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Appropriation .....		\$500 00
Expended:		
Nicholas A. Mastroianni, services .....	\$28 00	
Leonard N. Jaques, supplies .....	2 69	
B. F. Hartman, services .....	4 00	
A. H. Sweet, supplies .....	1 73	
F. R. Phillips, salary as Inspector of Slaughtering .....	14 00	
Alec Wolec, town dump .....	50 00	
State Department of Public Health, ½ Miscoe License .....	10 00	
Milford, Hopedale, Mendon Nursing Association, services rendered .....	50 00	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies ....	2 56	
Roy A. Barrows, placarding, fumigat- ing and use of auto .....	22 00	
Pondville Hospital, care and treatment of two patients .....	210 00	
K. A. Campbell, services .....	60 00	
Hastings Drug Co., vaccine .....	16 45	
	<hr/>	\$471 43
Unexpended .....	\$28 57	
	<hr/>	\$500 00

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROY A. BARROWS, Chairman,  
 HAROLD METCALF,  
 WILLIAM R. BOWEN,  
 Board of Health.



## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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Appropriation .....	\$550 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	150 00
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	\$700 00

### Expended:

Payrolls .....	\$667 50
Toll calls .....	18 70
Court fees .....	13 80
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	\$700 00

Respectfully submitted,  
 HAROLD C. BARROWS,  
 Chief Police Dept.

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## REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WEIGHER.

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I have had during the year 1940 74 weighings at 20 cents each and have turned over to the Town Treasurer the sum of \$14.80, the fees collected by me.

Respectfully submitted,  
 FELIX S. BESSETTE,  
 Public Weigher.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

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Mendon, Mass., Dec. 31, 1940.

To the Honorable Board of Health:

Following you will find a report of animals slaughtered in my presence and inspected by me in the year 1940:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
January .....			8	
February .....				
March .....				
April .....				
May .....				
June .....				
July .....				
August .....				
September .....				
October .....				
November .....				
December .....			11	
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Total .....			19	

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK R. PHILLIPS,

Inspector of Slaughtering.

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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Mendon, December 30, 1940.

Platform scale over 5000 lbs. (free) .....	1	
Platform scales under 5000 lbs .....	3	\$1 50
Spring scales under 100 lbs. ....	4	40
Counter scales under 100 lbs. ....	1	10
Computing scales under 100 lbs. ....	3	30
Gasoline pumps, meter system .....	11	5 50
Gasoline pumps, hand system .....	1	50
Kerosene pump, hand system .....	1	50
	24	\$8 80

I have inspected the following licenses:

Peddlers .....	3
Venders .....	2
Fish .....	1
Fruit and Vegetables .....	5
Junk .....	2
	13

I have collected \$8.80 for fees and have turned same over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER TAYLOR, Sealer.

Mendon, December 30, 1940.

## REPORT OF BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

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46 Persons aided who reside in Mendon  
 5 Persons in other Towns with Mendon settlement  
 42 Persons being aided as of December 31, 1940

### FINANCIAL.

Appropriated by the Town of Mendon	\$8,000	00
Federal Grant, 1940 .....	5,987	23
		\$13,987 23

### EXPENDED.

42 Persons aided, Mendon settlement	\$11,762	68
1 Person aided, Milford settlement ....	165	00
3 Persons aided, No settlement .....	810	00
5 Persons aided, by other Towns with Mendon settlement, 1/6 billed to Mendon .....	294	33
Total Expended .....	\$13,032	01
Unexpended .....	955	22
		\$13,987 23

## APPORTIONMENTS.

	Total Aid	Federal 1/2	State 2/3 Bal.	Mendon	Other Towns
Direct Payments Under \$40.00 .....	\$11,384 38	\$5,692 19	\$3,794 78	\$1,897 41	
Indirect Payments .....	361 30		241 27	120 03	
In Excess of \$40.00 Per Month .....	17 00		11 33	5 67	
State Settled .....	810 00	405 00	405 00		
Settled in Other Towns .....	165 00	82 50	55 00		27 50
Paid to Other Towns .....	294 33			294 33	
Totals .....	\$13,032 01	\$6,179 69	\$4,507 38	\$2,317 44	\$27 50

## AMOUNTS DUE THE TOWN OF MENDON.

Town of Milford, 1939 account .....	\$134 84	
Town of Milford, 1940 account .....	27 50	
State of Massachusetts, 9 months, from April 1, to December 31, 1940 .....	3,501 12	
State of Massachusetts, 1939 account	196 67	
Federal Grant October, November and December, 1940 .....	1,728 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,588 13

## ADMINISTRATION.

Balance on hand January 1, 1940 .....	\$89 67	
Federal Grant, 1940 .....	199 64	
	<hr/>	\$289 31

## EXPENDED.

Supplies .....	\$112 98	
Printing .....	17 32	
Postage .....	6 00	
Transportation .....	25 00	
Agent's salary .....	120 00	
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Total Expended .....	\$281 30	
Unexpended .....	8 01	
	<hr/>	\$289 31

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROY A. BARROWS,  
 Agent.

## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

6 Families aided during 1940 with total of 11 children.  
 as there are no settlement laws connected with A. D. C. your  
 Federal and State reimbursements are based on statute laws  
 and depend on the careful performance of the duties by your  
 Agent.

Federal Government reimburse 1/3 based on \$18.00 for first child and \$12.00 per month for each additional child up to 16 years of age will continue to 18 years if child is going to school.

State reimburses 1/3 of balance. Town pays balance. All above payments are based on monthly report sent the first of each month.

#### FINANCIAL.

Town Appropriation .....	\$2,000 00	
Federal Grant, 1940 .....	893 66	
	<hr/>	\$2,893 66
6 Families Aided .....	\$2,394 00	
Unexpended .....	499 66	
	<hr/>	\$2,893 66

#### ADMINISTRATION.

Federal Grant .....		\$8 76
Expended .....	\$8 65	
Unexpended .....	11	
	<hr/>	\$8 76

#### AMOUNT DUE THE TOWN.

Federal Government November and December .....	\$105 00	
From State of Massachusetts, one case covering period July 1, 1939 to June 30, 1940 .....	258 33	
All cases from July 1, to December 31, 1940 .....	289 33	
	<hr/>	\$652 66

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS,

Agent.



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

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### TEMPORARY AID.

#### RESOURCES.

Town Appropriation .....	\$7,500 00	
Expended .....	6,897 20	
Unexpended .....	2,102 80	
	<hr style="width: 20%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$9,000 00

### DETAILED EXPENDITURES.

#### MENDON SETTLED CASES.

One person in own home .....	\$222 00	
One family in own home .....	34 00	
One family in own home .....	76 00	
One family in own home .....	34 00	
One person in own home .....	31 90	
One family in own home .....	500 54	
One person in own home .....	90 45	
One family in own home .....	25 00	
One person in own home .....	74 80	
One family in own home .....	312 00	
One person in own home .....	27 00	
One family in own home .....	65 95	
One family in own home .....	423 26	
	<hr style="width: 20%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$1,916 90

#### PAID OTHER TOWNS FOR MENDON SETTLED CASES.

Town of Sutton .....	\$490 71
City of Boston .....	15 69
Town of Bellingham .....	269 74

Town of Milford .....	231 81	
Town of Milford .....	701 72	
Town of Franklin .....	259 70	
	<hr/>	\$1,969 37

## WIFE AND CHILDREN SETTLED IN MENDON,

## HUSBAND STATE CASE.

One family in own home .....	\$24 25	
One family in own home .....	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$42 25

## CASES RESIDING IN MENDON SETTLED IN OTHER TOWNS.

Uxbridge Case .....	\$167 25	
Westwood Case .....	4 00	
Medway Case .....	312 00	
	<hr/>	\$483 25

## CASES WITH NO SETTLEMENT, CHARGEABLE

## TO THE STATE.

One family in own home .....	\$69 00	
One family in own home .....	361 80	
One family in own home .....	37 00	
One family in own home .....	313 26	
One family in own home .....	9 00	
One family in own home .....	265 00	
One person in home of others .....	90 86	
One family in own home .....	14 00	
One family in own home .....	732 65	
One family in own home .....	84 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,976 57

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Mendon's share to Federal Government for Surplus Commodities Adminis- tration .....	\$73 91
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Mendon's share of cost of operating Surplus Commodities Warehouse in Milford .....	254 43	
Helpers for Surplus Commodities truck	79 25	
Supplies, postage and telephone calls	48 27	
Sawing and hauling wood .....	53 00	
	<hr/>	\$508 86

PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF ABOVE EXPENSE.

State of Massachusetts .....	\$1,987 13	
Other Towns .....	483 25	
Mendon's share .....	4,426 82	
	<hr/>	\$6,897 20

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CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND.

The Welfare Department received a check for \$10 from the Bright Oak Club, Inc., which was used for Christmas Cheer Baskets for the needy.

SURPLUS COMMODITIES.

The Surplus Commodities Warehouse,  
Milford, delivered in Mendon for  
the year 1940, goods valued as  
follows:

Food .....	\$3,349 16
Clothing .....	1,086 30

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD METCALF, Chairman,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
WILLIAM R. BOWEN,  
Board of Public Welfare,

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

1940.

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet of Aggregates is given below:

## RECAPITULATION SHEET.

## Town appropriations:

Annual Town Meeting, March, 1940 .....	\$65,377 34	
Debt and Interest .....	2,413 11	
State Tax, 1940 .....	3,520 00	
State Parks and Reservation Tax	53 58	
County Tax .....	1,981 24	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assess- ment .....	1,569 10	
Overlay for 1940 .....	965 17	
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	\$75,879 34	\$75,879 34
Estimated Receipts .....	\$34,418 74	
Available Funds (voted by Town Meeting and authorized by Tax Commissioner) .....	1,085 06	
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	\$35,503 80	\$35,503 80
Net Amount raised on Polls and property .....	\$40,375 54	
464 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 each .....	928 00	
Total Valuation .....	1,360,260 00	
Tax Rate .....	\$29 00	
Personal Property .....	125,840 00	
Real Estate .....	1,234,420 00	

## TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Number of assessments on real estate .....	514	
Number of assessments on personal estate .....	94	
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	608	608
Number of male polls assessed .....	464	
Value of assessed stock-in-trade ....	\$2,600 00	
Value of assessed live stock .....	43,960 00	
Value of assessed machinery .....	71,400 00	
Value of all other assessed personal estate .....	7,880 00	
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Value of assessed personal property .....	\$125,840 00	\$125,840 00
Value of assessed buildings, excluding land .....	904,095 00	
Value of assessed land, excluding buildings .....	330,325 00	
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Value of assessed real estate .....	\$1,234,420 00	\$1,234,420 00
Total value of assessed property ....		1,360,260 00
Tax on personal estate .....	\$3,640 36	
Tax on real estate .....	35,798 18	
Tax on polls .....	928 00	
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Total poll and property taxes .....	\$40,375 54	\$40,375 54
Rate of tax per \$1,000 .....		29 00
Number of horses assessed .....		57
Number of cows assessed .....		555
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed .....		91
Number of swine assessed .....		12
Number of dwelling houses assessed .....		429
Number of acres of land assessed .....		10,810
Number of fowl assessed .....		3,755

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED  
TO COLLECTOR IN 1940.

Vehicles registered in 1939 .....	\$79 62	
Vehicles registered in 1940 .....	3,120 25	
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	\$3,199 87	\$3,199 87

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED  
1940.

1939 Taxes .....	\$8 87	
1940 Taxes .....	127 53	
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	\$136 40	\$136 40

OVERLAY ACCOUNT

Balance in Overlay Account:

1937 Account .....	\$152 00	
1938 Account .....	329 51	
1939 Account .....	1 93	
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	\$483 44	\$483 44

OVERLAY.

1940.

Overlay .....	\$965 17	
Abatements .....	1,211 20	
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	\$246 03	\$246 03
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Balance in Overlay Account .....		\$237 41

Respectfully submitted,  
CARL M. TAFT,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
CHARLES F. LEONARD,  
Mendon Board of Assessors

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

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### 1938 PROPERTY TAXES.

#### DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1940 .....	\$1,838 67	
Omitted Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1940 .....	1 29	
Interest .....	91 70	
	<hr/>	\$1,931 66

#### CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$1,904 40	
Abated .....	27 26	
	<hr/>	\$1,931 66

### 1939 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

#### DR.

Total Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1940 .....	\$24 87	
Interest .....	28	
	<hr/>	\$25 15

#### CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$20 28	
Abated .....	4 87	
	<hr/>	\$25 15

### 1939 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

#### DR.

Committed Jan. 20, 1940 .....	\$79 62	
Interest .....	06	
	<hr/>	\$79 68



CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$75 68	
Abated .....	4 00	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$79 68

1939 PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

Total Personal and Real Estate. Taxes		
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1940 .....	\$10,052 14	
Interest .....	252 27	
	<hr/>	\$10,304 41

CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$8,378 90	
Abated .....	23 78	
Uncollected .....	1,901 73	
	<hr/>	\$10,304 41

1940 POLL TAXES.

DR.

Taxes committed, including omitted		
assessment of Dec. 7, 1940 .....	\$948 00	
Demands .....	13 30	
	<hr/>	\$961 30

CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$831 30	
Abated .....	114 00	
Uncollected .....	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$961 30

1940 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

First commitment April 12, 1940 .....	\$2,214 96	
Interest .....	1 30	
	<hr/>	\$2,216 26

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$2,182 70	
Abated .....	33 56	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$2,216 26

## DR.

Second commitment July 15, 1940 .....	\$477 37	
Interest .....	14	
	<hr/>	\$477 51

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$477 51	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$477 51

## DR.

Third commitment Sept. 25, 1940 .....	\$242 25	
Interest .....	09	
	<hr/>	\$242 34

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$240 34	
Abated .....	2 00	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$242 34

## DR.

Fourth commitment Dec. 2, 1940 .....	\$185 67	
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## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$73 32	
Uncollected .....	112 35	
	<hr/>	\$185 67

## 1940 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Total personal and real estate taxes	
committed .....	\$39,461 46
Interest .....	27 29
	<hr/> \$39,488 75

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$30,110 86
Abated .....	1,097 20
Subsequent tax title credit .....	62 35
Uncollected .....	8,218 34
	<hr/> \$39,488 75

Total tax refund for 1940 .....	\$91 97
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Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. DALTON,

Collector of Taxes.

January 1, 1941.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

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TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY:—

The circulation for the year (99 days) was 11,481 volumes. The largest given out in one day was 252, the smallest 45, the average 116. The circulation by classes was as follows: Fiction, 8180; Magazines, 2427; Biography, 315; Travel, 127; History, 67; Literature, 67; Useful and Fine Arts, 198; Science, 62; all others, 38.

There are 8789 volumes in the library. 199 were added this year. 73 were bought by the town, 79 with the Fletcher Fund and 47 gifts.

The library subscribes to the American, American Boy, American Home, Better Homes and Gardens, Boy's Life, Child Life, Country Gentleman, Current History, Collier's, Goodhousekeeping, Harper's Monthly, Instructor, Ladies' Home Journal, Life, McCall's, National Geographic, Parent's Magazine, Popular Mechanics, Reader's Digest, Saturday Evening Post, Woman's Home Companion.

\$11.87 was received in fines during the year.

Respectfully submitted,  
VERENA R. DALEY,  
Librarian.

Mendon, January 1, 1941.

THE FIFTIETH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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Our Library has closed another year in serving its patrons with interesting and instructive reading. The teachers and scholars continue to use the Library more and more each year. Every effort is being made by our librarian to give the best possible service at all times.

This year the walls were covered with Armstrong Temlock to match the new ceiling. Also, a new light fixture was installed in the reading room.

The Trustees wish to thank the Townspeople for their co-operation and ask that it be continued throughout the coming year so that our Library may be of still greater benefit to the town.

Respectfully submitted,

SILAS DUDLEY, Chairman,  
EDWARD T. WHITING, Secretary,  
LENA W. GEORGE,  
WILLIAM BOWEN,  
JULES I. PHILIE,

Library Trustees.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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Appropriation .....	\$675 00
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Expenditures:

Worcester Sub. Electric Co., lights .....	\$9 66	
Goss & Whiting, repairs .....	200 00	
Gaylord Bros., books .....	90	
The Personal Book Shop, books .....	59 10	
A. Freeman, labor .....	5 00	
Colledge Press, books .....	1 23	
Verena Daley, librarian .....	225 00	
Nina Burr, supplies .....	40 90	
Wm. Bowen, wood .....	9 00	
Robert Bartlett, labor .....	3 00	
Nancy Dudley, janitor .....	52 00	
H. R. Huntting, books .....	58 66	
H. W. Wilson Co., books .....	7 55	
American Library Association, books .....	3 00	
		\$675 00
Fletcher Fund Exp. ....		\$128 65

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
Finance Committee.

## REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

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### FOREST FIRES.

Appropriation .....	\$500 00
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### EXPENDED.

Payrolls .....	\$106 50	
Farrar Co., supplies .....	18 53	
C. B. Hardy, supplies .....	68 60	
Harold F. Lowell, salary as Forest Warden .....	25 00	
Land bought from Miss Ellen C. Barry (part payment) .....	275 00	
		\$493 63
Unexpended .....	\$6 37	
		\$500 00

### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation .....	\$700 00
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### EXPENDED.

Payrolls .....	\$202 75
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., power .....	42 00
Harold F. Lowell, salary as chief .....	75 00
Polishing truck .....	5 00
Land bought from Miss Ellen C. Barry (part payment) .....	125 00
Deke's Filling Station .....	7 92
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	5 40



Eddie's Service Station .....	9 95	
Clark & Shaughnessy .....	55 60	
Leonard N. Jaques, supplies .....	1 30	
Farrar Co., supplies .....	92 00	
Blowing whistle .....	36 60	
Janitor service .....	19 70	
	<hr/>	\$678 22
Unexpended .....	\$21 78	
	<hr/>	\$700 00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL, Chief,  
 ROY A. BARROWS,  
 EDWARD T. WHITING,  
 Fire Engineers.

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

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Appropriation .....	\$100 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	50 00
	<hr/> \$150 00

### EXPENDED.

Payrolls .....	\$133 00	
Herbert S. Wood, salary as Tree		
Warden, 2 months .....	2 00	
William Nuttall, salary as Tree		
Warden, 10 months .....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$145 00
Unexpended .....	\$5 00	
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Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM NUTTALL,

Tree Warden.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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### TO THE CITIZENS OF MENDON:

Pursuant to Chapter 41, Section 50, of the General Laws, I have examined and checked the accounts of the various Town Officers receiving and disbursing municipal funds for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1940 and find their accounts correctly cast with vouchers carefully filed.

In connection with the above examination it became the duty of the Auditor to investigate a story current reflecting on the honesty and uprightness of Superintendent of Highways. After due examination of payrolls and adroit questioning in various quarters I find no justification for such reports. There being no basis for them in fact.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. A. BARRY,  
Auditor.

Mendon, January 21, 1941.

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

## TOWN OF MENDON

## MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1940

## SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT.

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### RECEIPTS.

General Appropriation .....	\$17,958 82	
Dog Tax, 1940 .....	436 46	
Total Receipts .....		\$18,395 28
Total Expenditures .....	\$18,389 79	
Balance .....		\$5 49

### REIMBURSEMENTS.

General School Fund, Part I .....	\$1,775 00	
General School Fund, Part II .....	2,168 89	
Superintendent's Salary .....	698 45	
Tuition from State .....	456 74	
Tuition from Industrial School .....	13 60	
High School Grant .....	655 25	
Total Reimbursements .....		\$5,767 93

### TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS.

Total Expenditures .....	\$18,389 79	
Reimbursements .....	5,767 93	
Net Cost by Taxation .....		\$12,621 86

### EXPENDITURES.

School Committee Expenses .....	\$20 00
Superintendent's Salary .....	939 90
Superintendent's Expenses .....	185 03
Salaries of Teachers .....	9,793 70
Textbooks .....	203 63

School Supplies .....	308 20	
Janitor's Wages .....	1,199 64	
Miscellaneous Operation .....	526 26	
Fuel .....	644 50	
Repairs and Replacements .....	202 68	
New Equipment .....	167 90	
Health .....	375 00	
Transportation .....	3,814 25	
Insurance .....	9 10	
Total Expenditures .....	—————	\$18,389 79

## SCHOOL DIRECTORY, 1940—1941.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Silas Dudley, Chairman .....	Term Expires 1942
Ernest E. Souls, Secretary .....	Term Expires 1943
Donald B. Lowell .....	Term Expires 1941

Regular meetings held at the Center School building on the first Monday of each month at 7.30 P. M.

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—JULES I. PHILIE, A. B.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center

Telephone, Office—Milford 152-4  
Home—Milford 1816-M

The Superintendent may be met every Wednesday morning between 9 and 12 at the Mendon Centre High School or by appointment at any other convenient time.

### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

K. A. Campbell, M. D. .... Telephone, Milford, 102

### SCHOOL NURSES.

Helen C. Grady, R. N., Supervisor ..... Milford District Nursing Association  
Olive S. Rogers, R. N., Assistant ..... Telephone, Milford 862



# TEACHERS.

Name.	Subject or Grade.	Preparation.	Degrees or Yrs.	Yrs. Scr. in Town
Henry P. Clough, Principal	Math., Science, French	Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University	B.S. Ed.M.	Thirteenth
Nellie Walent	English, Latin	Keene Normal		First
Frances White	Commercial, History	Boston University	B.S.	
Jane Sroczynski	Domestic Science	Salem Teachers' College	B.S.	Third
Orilla F. Park	Geography, History	Mary Washington State Teachers' College	B.S.	Fourth
Mildred Collins	Grades 5 and 6	Castleton Normal, Vermont,	Three	Fifteenth
Grace Gaskell	Grades 4 and 5	Lowell Teachers' College	B.S.	Fourth
	Grades 2 and 3	Framingham State Teachers' College	Two	Second
Marjorie Horne	Grades 1 and 2	Boston University	B.S.	Third
David N. Gellatly	Music Supervisor	Boston Conservatory of Music	Grad.	Fifth

# JANITOR.

Raymond Barrows ..... Center School

## TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

Harold C. Barrows  
Kenneth Taft

## TRUANT OFFICE

Harold C. Barrows

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM  
JANUARY, 1941 TO JUNE, 1942.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Open January 6, 1941

Close April 18, 1941

Open April 28, 1941

Close June 20, 1941

Open September 3, 1941

Close November 26, 1941

Open December 1, 1941

Close December 19, 1941

Open December 29, 1941

Close December 31, 1941

Open January 2, 1942

Close April 17, 1942

Open April 27, 1942

Close June 12, 1942

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Open January 6, 1941

Close February 21, 1941

Open March 3, 1941

Close April 18, 1941

Open April 28, 1941

Close June 6, 1941

Open September 3, 1941

Close November 26, 1941

Open December 1, 1941

Close December 19, 1941

Open December 29, 1941

Close December 31, 1941

Open January 2, 1942

Close February 20, 1942

Open March 2, 1942  
 Close April 17, 1942  
 Open April 27, 1942  
 Close June 5, 1942

#### HOLIDAYS.

May 30, 1941  
 November 11, 1941

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#### AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL.

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September.

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#### REPORT OF SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS.

OCTOBER, 1940.

Number of pupils examined .....	274
Number found defective in eyesight .....	21
Number found defective in hearing .....	0
Number of parents or guardians notified .....	21

## AGE AND GRADE CHART AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1940.

GRADE	AGE																	Total
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
I	B	3	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	
II	G	1	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	
	B	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	
III	G	...	9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
	B	...	4	9	1	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	
IV	G	...	3	11	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	
	B	...	...	1	5	4	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	
V	G	...	...	...	5	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	
	B	...	...	...	2	5	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	
VI	G	...	...	...	3	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	
	B	...	...	...	...	2	7	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	
VII	G	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
VIII	G	...	...	...	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	
IX	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	
X	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	
XI	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
XII	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
Totals		4	25	25	29	17	18	32	22	25	35	15	14	9	3	1	274	
Boys		3	14	13	14	8	14	17	8	19	20	6	6	5	3	1	151	
Girls		1	11	12	15	9	4	15	14	6	15	9	8	4	...	...	123	

## REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MENDON:

During the past School year there have been no major changes in our Schools.

The tennis courts and ball field were made ready for use this past spring and both were used a great deal and are an asset to the town.

Through the co-operation of the Highway Superintendent and his Department the playground has been improved by the addition of seesaws for the younger children.

This year the School Budget will be increased due partially to the salary schedule for the teachers put into effect two years ago to minimize the changing of teachers. The Committee feel that this is money well invested as this year there was only one change in our teaching personnel comparable to six, three years ago.

Other factors increasing our budget are the increased cost of fuel and supplies. In having to increase the School budget the Committee would like to bring to the taxpayers' attention, that of the one hundred and ten towns in the Group including Mendon as classed by the State Department of Education based on population and valuation our expense per pupil is sixth lowest in this Group. We also would like to bring to their attention the steady increase in our school population. If this increase continues there will be need of adding another teacher to our staff very soon.

The School Committee wish to thank the Citizens and Parents for their co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

SILAS H. DUDLEY,  
Chairman, School Committee.



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MENDON:

GENTLEMEN:

I hereby submit my third annual report as Superintendent of Schools for your consideration. Included also are the reports of the High School Principal, the Supervisor of Music, and the School Nurse.

At this time, I feel proud to say that all classes are well equipped with suitable textbooks, workbooks, drill cards, maps, school supplies, and such other equipment as is necessary for classroom instruction.

Our program of supervised study is still in effect, the results of which are both gratifying and satisfactory.

In my report of last year, I stated that mid-year examinations were to be given to all pupils, in all grades, and in all subjects. The results of these were charted and a comparative study was made of the results obtained. In this way, I discovered that our weakness was in spelling. It immediately became evident that we had to assume some means of motivating this particular subject. In all other subjects of our course of study the results achieved were better than average. In order to remedy this weakness in spelling, weekly spelling bees were held during the latter half of last year from grade four through grade twelve; and in April a spelling bee was held in the Town Hall. The participants of this bee were the better pupils in all these classes. Silver medals were given to the winners of the contest of the grade pupils; a gold medal was given to the best speller in the Senior High School. The awards to the winners were very generously given by the

members of the School Committee. Incidentally, I may mention that the medal to the best speller in the High School was presented at the graduation exercises last June. I am desirous of repeating this same procedure this year. Similarly, final examinations were given last June throughout the grades in all subjects and when the results of these were chartered, it was obvious that the weakness in spelling had been entirely eliminated.

The total enrollment of pupils as of October 1, 1940, as compared with that of the same date of the previous year, was as follows:

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
1939	154	109	263
1940	151	123	274

The above tabulation shows an increase of eleven pupils in the schools.

Miss Marie Mitten, the teacher of English and Latin, resigned in December, 1940, to accept a similar position in the Winthrop High School. We regret the loss of Miss Mitten since she was a superior teacher who was popular with the pupils, parents, and school officials. Miss Nellie Walent, of Nashua, N. H., was engaged to fill the vacancy caused by Miss Mitten's vacancy. We are fortunate in having Miss Walent who has taken up the work where Miss Mitten left off.

During the coming year, I would like to introduce a course of Health Study in the first six grades; this could be accomplished by introducing inexpensive health readers in these grades and in this way a two-fold purpose would be accomplished. First, the children will be adequately instructed along lines of health habits, hygiene, and physiology. Secondly, these books would satisfy the need of remedial reading. We have at the present time a sizable group of poor readers in the lower grades. One must remember that the ability to acquire knowledge depends, in a large measure, upon the ability to

read. Further, it is a fundamental need for academic achievement that children enjoy good health. "A sound mind in a healthy body" is a desirable objective.

Our dental clinic was held last year and it is gratifying to note that the teeth condition of the pupils is still further improved.

Since the beginning of the present school year, we have been able to obtain monthly allotments of various foods from the Surplus Commodities Division. These foods have been used in the Home Economics Department of the High School. This additional material has greatly improved the efficiency of this department.

I want to thank the parents and teachers for their splendid cooperation; and to you, the members of the School Committee, may I extend my hearty thanks for your friendship and cooperation and for the interest you have shown in the welfare of the children of the community.

Respectfully submitted,

JULES I. PHILIE,

Superintendent of Schools.

## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

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TO MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit my annual report.

Registration figures for high school classes are as follows: Grade Seven, 25; Grade Eight, 21; Grade Nine, 21; Grade Ten, 17; Grade Eleven, 14; Grade Twelve, 8; Total, 106. These enrollment figures represent an increase of about ten per cent over those of last year, with the actual increase appearing in the senior high school grades. There are fifty-three boys and fifty-three girls in the junior and senior high school.

Graduation exercises occurred Thursday, June 13, 1940, at the Unitarian Church. The Class of 1940 consisted of seven members: Regina M. Auty, Marjorie H. Barrows, Marion L. Brady, Emily J. Coleman, William V. Powers, Elliott B. Taft, Roland H. Taft. Five of the class are continuing their education in other schools this year.

Two plays have been presented during the year. On March 15, 1940 the Class of 1940 presented a three act comedy, Mr. Justice Jimmy, and on December 13, 1940, the Class of 1941 produced the popular three act comedy, Campus Quarantine. Both productions were well done before good audiences.

A combined minstrel show and school operetta on April 12 proved to be a successful and entertaining event for a large number of parents and members of the community.

In the interest of better achievement in spelling throughout the school grades, a public spelling bee was held at the Town Hall on May 17. Through the kindness of the members of the School Committee, medals of achievement were provided as awards to the winners of the contests.

Pupils receiving medals were as follows: Grade 4, Florence M. Cook; Grade 5, Irene A. Rossetti; Grade 6, Patricia Gaskill; Grade 7, Shirley M. Coleman; Grade 8, Lois B. Coleman; Grades 9 to 12 inclusive, Dorothy Oppewal.

Prize speaking took place May 3, 1940. Nine pupils took advantage of the opportunities offered by the contest and prizes were awarded as follows: First Prize, Norma P. Grassotti; Second Prize, Robert R. Chapin; Third Prize, Edith A. Souls.

The other school activities have been carried on without interruption. In so far as possible, general participation in all school activities by all pupils is widely encouraged. The process of education is necessarily a complex procedure and is by no means limited to subject matter and specific courses. It is in some of the additional features of school work that pupils have many good opportunities which are especially important. Parents are urged to confer with the Principal and teachers at any time. In conclusion, I express my appreciation and that of the teachers of the school for the cooperation and assistance of the Superintendent of Schools, School Committee, and townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Principal.

# MENDON HIGH SCHOOL PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

MAY 3, 1940.

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A Sacred Trust .....	Doyle
Nello A. Allegrezza	
Dolly Go .....	Donnell
Edith A. Souls	
The Man Who Walks Alone .....	Lowther
Russell C. Longton	
Trumpet Ensemble .....	Selections
Betty at the Baseball Game .....	
Norma P. Grassotti	
The Rider of the Black Horse .....	Lippard
Robert D. Swanson	
Progress Toward Peace .....	Holden
E. Jane Coleman	
Girls' Chorus .....	Selections
Juanita .....	Spanish Melody
Nellie Was a Lady .....	Foster
The Arm of the Law .....	Kitchen
William D. Rondeau	
A Tragedy in Millinery .....	Wiggin
Ruth B. Corey	
Sinister Shadows .....	Goldman
Robert R. Chapin	
Girls' Chorus .....	Selections
Cradle Song .....	Brahms
Ciribiribin .....	Pestalozza
Decision of Judges	



GRADUATION EXERCISES  
OF  
MENDON HIGH SCHOOL  
THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 1940  
UNITARIAN CHURCH

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PROGRAM

- Processional—Marche Romaine ..... Gounod  
Mr. David N. Gellatly
- Invocation  
Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain
- Salutatory  
Elliott B. Taft
- Essay—Ethical Character  
Emily J. Coleman
- Essay—Health  
Elliott B. Taft
- Song—Kentucky Babe ..... Geibel  
High School Chorus
- Essay—Worthy Use of Leisure Time  
Marion L. Brady
- Essay—Command of the Fundamentals  
William V. Powers
- Song—Beautiful Dreamer ..... Foster  
Girls' Chorus



Essay—Worthy Home Membership  
Marjorie H. Barrows

Essay—Vocation  
Roland H. Taft

Valedictory  
Emily J. Coleman

Songs—A. A Song of Peace (from Finlandia) ..... *Sibelius*  
B. Czecho-Slovakian Dance Song ..... *Traditional*  
High School Chorus

Award and Diploma Presentation  
Mr. Silas H. Dudley, Chairman of School Committee

Benediction  
Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain

Recessional—Festival March ..... *Mendelssohn*  
Mr. David N. Gellatly

## SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

### FOR 1940.

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TO MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit the annual school nurse's report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

Miss Olive Rogers, as the Mendon School Nurse, visited the Center School on Tuesday of each week when school was in session. Her time was spent assisting with the various school health activities, visiting the classrooms, in periodic inspections of pupils, weighing and measuring pupils twice a year, and in handling emergencies and problem cases while visiting the school building as well as in home visiting.

In the Spring Miss Rogers, assisted by Miss Pollock, a State Department of Health nurse, tested the hearing of 208 children with an audiometer loaned by the State Department of Health. 10 children, who were found to have questionable hearing, were retested a few weeks later. 8 were found to have a definite hearing loss.

Later in the Spring a Toxoid Clinic was in session with 7 school children receiving the three protective doses of vaccine to protect them from diphtheria. At this time a large number of babies and pre-school children were treated, thus saving school time for these children when they enter school.

A two weeks dental clinic was in progress in May with Dr. Fielding from the Worcester County Extension Service in charge, assisted by the school nurse. 155 children had some work done on their teeth and 206 children had their teeth inspected. There were 210 fillings, 47 extractions, 80 cleanings and 78 children had all work on their teeth completed.

Throughout the summer months the nurse visited the homes of children entering school for the first time, urging early vaccinations and a physical examination by their family physician.

Visits were also made at this time to the parents of children who were found at the annual school physical examination to have physical defects.

Quite a few children had corrections done this past summer.

One child, a tuberculosis contact, spent a month at the Sterling Health Camp and returned in splendid condition.

The annual school physical examinations of all children by Dr. Campbell, assisted by the nurse, were in progress throughout September, October and November.

The following is a summary of the defects found.

Enlarged tonsils .....	33
Diseased tonsils .....	1
Heart murmur .....	5
Symptoms of anemia .....	3
Discharging ears .....	2
Wax in ears .....	12
Defective teeth .....	43
Poor posture .....	2
Poor nutrition .....	2
Skin disease .....	1

In December Dr. Schoog from the Boylston Sanatorium skin-tested 25 children at the annual School Chest Clinic held at the Hopedale High School for the Mendon and Hopedale school children and school personnel. Three children showed positive skin readings.

33 children were x-rayed and 10 of the school personnel, which means all the teachers and the janitor.

The following is a summary of the work done by the nurse within the school building.

Cleanliness inspections of pupils .....	360
Classroom inspections of pupils .....	45
Advice given to pupils .....	143
Pupils given First Aid .....	59
Pupils inspected for disease .....	58
Health talks with teachers .....	155
Health talks given to classes .....	26
Home visits made .....	129

Although the teachers do the eye testing, the nurse re-examined the eyes of the poor readers to verify the finding of the teachers. Notices of all defects were sent to the parents or guardians of school children, and the school nurse followed these notices by a home visit.

The school children have been quite free from contagious diseases this past year. A few cases of measles and chicken-pox were reported and investigated.

May I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Philie, the School Committee, Welfare Board and Board of Health for their cooperation, and the teachers, janitor and parents for their confidence and support.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN C. GRADY,

Supervisor.

OLIVE S. ROGERS,

School Nurse.

## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR.

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MR. JULES I. PHILIE,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—  
MENDON, MASS.

Dear Sir:—

I herewith submit my report as Music Supervisor in the schools of Mendon for the year ending December, 1940.

We have used a large number of rote songs in the lower grades, and have taught the fundamentals of music theory such as, names of lines and spaces, finding key names, placing sharps and flats and note reading. This work, in a more advanced form, has been continued in the upper grades, and has been reviewed occasionally in the High School.

The voices of the girls in the High School are good this year, and there are some exceptionally fine voices in the boys' group.

Throughout all of the grades, good tone quality has been stressed, and a good rhythmic sense cultivated.

I wish to thank you, Mr. Philie, the School Committee, Mr. Clough, and all of the teachers for the splendid cooperation given to me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID N. GELLATLY,

Supervisor of Music.

Mendon, Mass., January 21, 1941.

# TOWN WARRANT

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Worcester, ss.*

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of  
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday, the third day of March A. D., 1941, punctually at nine o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:—A Town Clerk, for one year; one Selectman, for three years; one Assessor, for three years; a Town Treasurer, for one year; a Collector of Taxes, for one year; one Auditor, for one year; one Constable for one year; one Tree Warden, for one year; one Trustee of the Taft Public Library, for two years; one Park Commissioner for three years; one Highway Surveyor for one year; all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.



Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning January 1, 1941.

Article 6. To determine the compensation of the Tax Collector for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1941, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for Memorial Day services and appoint a committee to expend the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the improvement and repairs of highways, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works as provided by Chapter 81 of the General Laws as amended, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$409.33 for the operation and repair of Town machinery; said amount to be taken from the Road Machinery fund; or take any action in regard to the same.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise any sum of money for the care of Soldiers' and Sailors' graves or take any action in relation to the same.



Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors with the approval of the Commissioners of Corporation and Taxation to use such an amount of the free cash in the Treasury as in their judgment should be used, to reduce the tax levy of 1941.

Article 13. To see what action the Town will take regarding any legal proceedings that may be brought by or against the Town.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise any sum of money to provide work relief, and to hire equipment and purchase necessary material to be used in connection with the Works Progress Administration Projects.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Dog License Refund received from the Worcester County in 1940 to be used for General School expenses in 1941 or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, after giving notice of the time and place of sale, by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town fourteen days at least before the sale, properly taken by the Town under tax title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 17. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$627.00 for street lights for the ensuing year.

Article 18. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the tuition at the Worcester Industrial Trade School, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$1,555.19 for the Worcester County Hospital apportionment for Tuberculosis, or take any action in relation to the same.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon and causing a copy to be published once in the Milford Daily News, a newspaper published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon this 20th day of February, A. D., 1941.

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
HAROLD METCALF,

Selectmen of Mendon.

A true copy. Attest:



ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE

Municipal Year Ending, December 31, 1941

275TH ANNUAL REPORT

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MILFORD, MASS.

THE CHARLESCRAFT PRESS, PRINTERS.

1942.

## TOWN OF MENDON.

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Town of Mendon Incorporated May 15, 1667.

Population 1315, 1940 Census.

Registered Voters in 1941: Men, 419. Women, 382. Total, 801.

Annual Meeting: First Monday in March.

County Commissioners:

Elbert M. Crockett, Chairman ..... Milford

George W. Jones ..... Worcester

Francis E. Cassidy ..... Webster

Congressman, Pehr G. Holmes ..... Worcester

Councillor, George E. Nelson ..... Worcester

Senator, P. Eugene Casey ..... Milford

Representative General Court, Peter F. Fitzgerald .. Blackstone

Fourth Congressional District

Seventh Councillor District

Fourth Senatorial District

Ninth Worcester Representative District

## TOWN OFFICERS.

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### SELECTMEN.

(Selectmen serve as Board of Public Welfare  
Board of Health and Fence Viewers).

Harold Metcalf      Roy A. Barrows      William R. Bowen

### TOWN CLERK.

Albert S. Coleman

### TOWN TREASURER.

Moses U. Gaskill

### TAX COLLECTOR.

Arthur P. Dalton

### ASSESSORS.

Carl M. Taft    Edward T. Whiting    Charles F. Leonard, Clerk

### AUDITOR.

William A. Barry

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Donald B. Lowell      Ernest E. Souls      Silas H. Dudley

### TRUSTEES OF TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Harold Metcalf      Ernest E. Souls      Jerome Fogwell  
Lena W. George      Edward T. Whiting, Secretary

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Charles C. Entwistle   D. Kinsley Barnes   Joseph W. McEwen  
Albert S. Coleman, Clerk

### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

[illegible]

### PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Norry J. Daige                                  Edward T. Whiting

Constable and Chief of Police .....	Harold C. Barrows
Tree Warden .....	William E. Nuttall
Town Solicitor .....	Alfred B. Cenedella
Dog Officer .....	Harold C. Barrows
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	Walter Taylor
Superintendent of Schools .....	Jerome Foggwell
Fire Chief and Forest Warden .....	Harold F. Lowell
Superintendent of Streets .....	Robert M. Donnelly
Burial Agent .....	Norry J. Daige
Inspector of Slaughtering .....	George W. Gardner
Inspector of Animals .....	Moses U. Gaskill



## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

1941.

## DOGS LICENSED IN 1941.

148 Males at \$2.00 each .....	\$296 00	
28 Females at \$5.00 each .....	140 00	
33 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each .....	66 00	
2 Kennel Licenses at \$25.00 each ....	50 00	
		\$552 00
Less Clerk's Fees, 211 licenses at 20c		42 20
Cash paid Town Treasurer as per		
Monthly returns .....		\$509 80

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM  
JANUARY 1, 1941 to DECEMBER 31, 1941.

Series 1	Resident Citizens Fishing	86	\$2 00	\$172 00
2	Resident Citizens Hunting	52	2 00	104 00
3	Resident Citizens Sporting	35	3 25	113 75
4	Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing	39	1 25	48 75
5	Resident Citizen Minor Trapping	1	2 25	2 25
6	Resident Citizen Trapping	2	5 25	10 50
10	Non-Resident Citizen Fishing	2	5 25	10 50
13	Duplicate	1	50	50
				\$462 25
	Fees retained by Clerk	217	25	54 25
	Amount paid Division of Fisheries and Game as per Monthly reports sent in			\$408 00
Series 7	Resident Citizen Sport- ing FREE	13		

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1941.

Date of Birth 1941		Name of Child	Parents with Maiden Name of Mother
Jan.	27	Elizabeth Anne Bagg	Charles F. and Frances Garland
Feb.	1	Bernard Cross	
		Quattrochio, Jr.	Bernard C. and Edrys Leith
Feb.	1	Eleanor Goodnow	Marcus M. and Florence Jewett
Feb.	6	Robert Irving Miller	Harold I. and Rita Grant
Mar.	1	Donald	Howard F. and Bernice Brown
Mar.	9	Wills	Levi M. and Marion LaFarier
Mar.	28	David Bennett Lowell	Donald B. and Helen Trask
Apr.	6	Carolyn Ann Hensel	William and Wilhelmina Allen
Apr.	7	James Roy Dalrymple	James R. and Florence Johnson
Apr.	12	Jon Elton Carpenter	Ernest O. and Beatrice Wood
May	4	Margaret Frances Palmer	Curtis A. and Christina P. Reilly
May	5	Thelma Louise Wiersma	Cornelius and Annie DeVries
May	6	Harland Emerson Griffin	Harold L. and Mabel Metcalf
May	12	Mildred Ann O'Grady	Edwin G. and Mary R. West
May	13	Robert Bruce Donnelly	Robert M. and Karleen L. Barrows
May	22	John Francis Civetti, Jr.	John F. and Dorothy M. Allen
June	15	Female	
July	8	Kenneth Wayne Lundvall	John L. and Phebe Briggs
Aug.	8	Norma Elizabeth Rogers	Norman and Dorothy E. Brown
Aug.	10	Linda Mae Goodnow	Everett F. and Emily I. Claffin
Aug.	24	Jean Sandra Roy	Frank and Regina Beaudoin
Sept.	23	Sheila Marie Wagner	Laurie M. and Delmina Bonati
Nov.	14	Marjorie Ellen Vear	Asa B. and Marion McCabe
Nov.	19	Joyce Silbor	Hurley and Florence Thibeault
Dec.	19	Norman Lester Cox	Nathaniel and Doris Daniels
Dec.	21	Robert Allen Coe	Raymond F. and Maude Stusse
Dec.	26	Daniel Raymond Faneuf	Allen G. and Irene Levesque

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1941.

Date of Marriage 1941		Names	Residence
Feb.	14	Austin Frank Brown	Mendon
		Edith Viola Nourse	Hopedale
Mar.	22	Laurie Maxwell Wagner	Mendon
		Delmina Ann Bonati	Mendon
Mar.	30	Cleveland Conrad Smith	Mendon
		Marjorie R. Brown	Mendon
Apr.	17	Arnold Francis Hoel	Hopedale
		Pearl Mary Whalen	Mendon
Apr.	19	John Bernard Powers	Mendon
		Stacis M. Turnas	Grafton
Apr.	19	William James Whalen	Mendon
		Dorothy Eleanor June	Mendon
Apr.	26	John George Carrabba	Milford
		Helen M. Elizabeth Quirk	Mendon
May	17	Donald Fletcher Washburn	Hopedale
		Flora Mary Leoncini	Mendon
May	29	Vernon A. Barrows	Mendon
		Emma M. Taft	Mendon
May	30	Harlan Asa Wood, Jr.	Bellows Falls, Vt.
		Beatrice Louise Davenport	Mendon
May	31	Saverio Fantini	Milford
		Mary Ann Patrice Quirk	Mendon
June	5	Clifford Earle Mathewson	Hamden, Conn.
		Dorothy Erwin	New Haven, Conn.
June	7	Ricardo Rosaverdi	West Springfield, Mass.
		Evelyn L. Elce	Mendon
June	7	Willard Lewis	Augusta, Ga.
		Gertrude Louise Mann Jones	Mendon
June	16	Raoul Auger	Woonsocket, R. I.
		Florida Plouffe	Mendon
June	21	Alfred Gordon Perron	Mendon
		Evelyn Louise Wilson	No. Smithfield, R. I.
June	21	Arthur Andreano	Milford, Mass.
		Gladys Tucker	Mendon
July	20	Walter Irving Coffin	Mendon
		Orilla Fish Park	Mendon
Aug.	17	Richard M. Gaskill	Mendon
		Dora Streeter	Milford, Mass.
Aug.	18	Robert Leonard Demarini	Framingham, Mass.
		Olive Sophie Rogers	Mendon
Sept.	20	Richard Edwin Hickmott	Mendon
		Rose Mary Comastra	Milford, Mass.
Oct.	4	Joseph Donnelly	Framingham, Mass.
		Irma Elvira Leoncini	Mendon
Oct.	25	Paul H. Pareseau	Worcester, Mass.
		Mafalda Elce	Mendon
Nov.	4	Norman Richard	Mendon
		Irene Darch	Mendon
Nov.	11	Henry Levesque	Bellingham, Mass.
		Jeannette Bessette	Mendon
Nov.	20	Thomas George Driscoll	Mendon
		Roberta Ella Richardson	Woonsocket, R. I.
Nov.	22	Arthur Ayotte	Mendon
		Marie Yvonne Blain	Woonsocket, R. I.
Nov.	29	Raymond A. Kempton	Mendon
		Shella Kelly	Northbridge, Mass.

# DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1941.

Date of Death 1941	Name	Age			Cause of Death
		Y	M	D	
Jan. 21	Wilbur Jonah Austin	81	6	22	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Jan. 26	Ronald Steven Rocks	..	3	16	Lobar Pneumonia
Feb. 7	Bernard Cross Quattrochio, Jr.	..	..	6	Aspiration Pneumonia
Mar. 4	Belle (Sawyer) Taylor	69	5	20	Chronic Myocarditis
Mar. 10	Baby Willis	..	..	1	Prematurity
Apr. 5	Frank Perl Brown	46	10	20	Complete Cardiac Failure
Apr. 30	Cecilia O. Yankee	73	8	13	Multiple Neuritis
May 29	Selwyn F. Southwick	55	6	19	Myocarditis
June 23	Elise Gaskill	45	4	17	Paralytic Sclerosis
July 22	Elizabeth (McCracken) Miller	69	5	11	Hodgkins Disease
Aug. 7	Milo Audibon Gaskill	78	6	25	Gangrene of Colon
Aug. 31	Agnes A. (Gibson) Goodnow	64	8	19	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Aug. 31	John Bolondz	55	..	..	Coronary Thrombosis
Sept. 1	Arthur Courtland Sibley, Sr.	85	11	17	Broncho-pneumonia
Oct. 22	George Harvey Whiting	92	1	16	Coronary Occlusion
Nov. 8	Henry Taylor Gaskill	62	6	9	Cardiac Toxemia
Nov. 16	Mary Elsie (Bartlett) Rondeau	44	9	1	Hypertensive Heart Disease
Dec. 4	Regina (Beaudoin) Roy	29	..	..	Pyelonephritis Bilateral
Dec. 26	Louis Lecan Marlow	67	..	16	Cerebral Apoplexy

## NOTICE

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Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the Town Clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete.

Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after the birth in his house shall cause complete notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town in which such child is born. Parents should give this their prompt attention as it is very important and necessary for complete record.

### SOME OF THE MANY

#### REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED.

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Parents be sure to record the birth of your child with given name in full.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Your attention is called to the provisions of Section 36 and 55 of Chapter 207 of the General Laws relating to marriages solemnized out of this state, which are as follows:

"Section 29 of Chapter 151 of the Revised Laws: If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth who return to dwell here they shall, within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage, including the facts relative to marriages, which are required by law, and for neglect thereof shall forfeit ten dollars."

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs three months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's office on or before April 1, 1942.

I take this opportunity in wishing the Townspeople much prosperity during the year 1942.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1942.



## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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The Treasurer of the Town of Mendon submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1941.

The Treasurer debits himself with receiving the following sums:—

Cash balance Jan. 1, 1941 .....	\$13,816 80
County Treasurer, from Dog Fund .....	411 19
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes .....	28,700 00
Town Clerk, Dog License Fees .....	509 80
State Treasurer, Income Tax .....	4,686 50
State Treasurer, School Fund, Part II .....	2,437 79
State Treasurer, Temporary Aid .....	1,713 93
State Treasurer, Dependent Children .....	654 30
State Treasurer, Inspection of Animals .....	60 00
State Treasurer, Support of Indigent Persons .....	404 00
State Treasurer, Highways, Chap. 420 .....	4,023 71
State Treasurer, Highways, Millville Street .....	212 63
State Treasurer, School Sup't. ....	746 66
State Treasurer, High School Tuition .....	678 50
State Treasurer, Tuition of Children ....	206 49
State Treasurer, Corporation Taxes ....	1,232 45
State Treasurer, Veterans Exemption ..	42 12
State Treasurer, Vocational Education .....	3 60
State Treasurer, Forestry Dept. ....	50 00
State Treasurer, Corporation Taxes, Business .....	35 45



State Treasurer, Corporation Taxes,	
Public Service .....	345 61
George Johnson, Town Hall Rent .....	408 50
Felix Bessette, Hay Scale Fees .....	5 80
Walter Taylor, Sealer of Weights and	
Measures .....	6 50
Verena Daley, Library Fines .....	14 40
State Treasurer, Highways, 7540 .....	556 33
County Treasurer, Highways, 7540 .....	556 33
State Treasurer, Highways, 7974 .....	2,999 99
County Treasurer, Highways, 7974 .....	1,499 99
State Treasurer, Highways, 3678 .....	5,151 15
State Treasurer, Highways, 7830 .....	1,198 64
County Treasurer, Highways, 7830 .....	1,198 64
Town of Milford, Old Age Assistance	254 83
Town of Medway, Public Welfare .....	312 00
Town of Uxbridge, Public Welfare .....	48 00
East Mendon School House .....	700 00
Road Machinery, Reserve Fund .....	283 74
Mothers' Aid, U. S. Grant .....	606 27
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant .....	7,359 70
Town of Milford, Public Welfare .....	40 14
License Fees .....	898 00
State Treasurer, Old Age Assistance ....	4,614 11
Unclaimed Check, Forest Fires .....	1 50

Collector of Taxes:

1940 Poll Taxes .....	12 72
1939 Property Taxes .....	1,893 47
1940 Motor Excise Taxes .....	170 02
1940 Property Taxes .....	7,124 49
1941 Motor Excise Taxes .....	3,843 46
1941 Poll Taxes .....	850 80
1941 Property Taxes .....	32,385 20
Total Receipts .....	\$135,966 25

The Treasurer Credits himself with paying the following amounts:—

Support of Schools .....	\$18,768	61
Incidentals .....	2,757	43
Snow Removal .....	1,499	25
Work Relief .....	917	91
Road Machinery .....	458	51
General Repairs .....	1,100	00
Bonds for Town Officers .....	103	50
Worcester County Hospital .....	1,555	19
Chapter 81 .....	9,625	00
Fire Department .....	690	84
Officers' Salaries .....	2,077	20
Library .....	468	33
Street Lights .....	627	00
Police Department .....	1,096	46
Board of Health .....	220	44
Motor Tax Refund .....	89	12
Trade School .....	28	40
Insurance .....	783	90
Park Department .....	83	95
Forest Fires .....	872	80
Moth Suppression .....	200	00
Memorial Day .....	81	15
Repairs to Town Hall .....	497	92
Other Payments .....	10	
Chapter 90 Maintenance .....	3,600	00
Soldiers' Relief .....	56	00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves .....	20	00
Tree Warden .....	93	25
Millville Street, Special .....	425	26
Property Tax Refund .....	5	80
Poll Tax Refund .....	1	98
Chapter 90, Construction .....	8,399	92
Old Age Assistance .....	15,607	40
Aid to Dependent Children .....	1,910	25

Public Welfare .....	5,289	28
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes ....	43,200	00
Merchants National Bank, School House Notes .....	2,000	00
Merchants National Bank, Interest .....	585	00
Home National Bank, Interest .....	83	07
Director of Accounts .....	10	00
State Parks and Reservations .....	61	93
State Treasurer, Repairs to Bridges ....	84	02
County Treasurer, Dog License Fees ....	509	80
State Tax .....	3,960	00
County Tax .....	2,477	68
Total Payments .....		\$132,983 65
Cash balance Jan. 1, 1942 .....		2,982 60
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		\$135,966 25

## FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,229	19
To Cash received, Interest .....	130	71
	<hr/>	\$5,359 90

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,203	55
Two Library Orders .....	156	35
	<hr/>	\$5,359 90

## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$749	49
Interest received .....	18	84
Cash in Worcester Co. Institution ....	700	86
Interest received .....	14	07
	<hr/>	\$1,483 26

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$768 33	
Cash in Worcester Co. Institution ....	714 93	
	<hr/>	\$1,483 26

## F. N. THAYER CEMETERY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$1 00	
Cash received from State Treasurer	3 50	
Interest received .....	05	
	<hr/>	\$4 55

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$4 55
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RESERVE FUND \$1,000 00

Transferred to Snow Removal .....	\$200 00	
Transferred to Forest Fire Dept. ....	572 80	
Transferred to Road Machinery Fund	50 00	
Transferred to General Repairs .....	100 00	
Transferred to Officers' Salaries .....	77 20	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 00

## TAX TITLES.

13 .....	\$716 66
One Tax Title in Land Court .....	483 00

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES U. GASKILL,

Treasurer.

January 1, 1942.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

### INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation .....	\$2,500 00	
Transferred from WPA account at Special Town Meeting, Dec. 27, 1941 .....	300 00	
		\$2,800 00

### CARE AND OPERATION OF TOWN HALL.

George A. Johnson, janitor .....	\$150 00	
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	87 52	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	3 66	
L. N. Jaques & Sons, supplies .....	22 56	
Harold Metcalf, wood .....	30 00	
W. S. Darley & Co., supplies .....	14 72	
Barney Coal Co., coal .....	248 50	
Charles E. Clarke, supplies and labor ....	4 63	
E. T. Powers, motor for town pump ....	33 50	
Nina M. Burr, bulbs .....	90	
Raymond Barrows, labor .....	2 25	
M. M. Goodnow, repairs to pump .....	2 81	
Grace H. Taft, cleaner .....	1 00	
E. O. Rose & Son, repairing chairs .....	6 25	
Lester Hill, labor and supplies .....	12 00	
		\$620 30

### CARE AND OPERATION OF RECORD ROOM.

Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	\$11 54
R. O. Sweet, repairing oil burner .....	3 45
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., toll calls .....	41 37
Carrie Marlow, janitor .....	36 40

Milford Lock Co., keys .....	1 50	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	15	
Clark & Shaughnessey, oil .....	51 31	
	<hr/>	\$145 72

## BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS.

Payroll, Annual Town Meeting .....	\$26 25	
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## TOWN CLERK.

Milford Daily News, advertising .....	\$4 50	
Atlas Stamp Co., stamp .....	40	
Whitlocks, map .....	2 00	
Robinson Seal Co., supplies .....	38 49	
The Charlescraft Press, supplies .....	10 25	
Cahill's News Agency, supplies .....	4 90	
Supplies .....	1 75	
Toll calls .....	65	
Money orders and postage .....	4 69	
Transportation .....	5 00	
Swearing in Town Officers .....	5 00	
Attending meetings .....	15 05	
Recording births, deaths and marriages	53 50	
	<hr/>	\$146 18

## TOWN TREASURER.

The Charlescraft Press .....	\$8 25	
Making Schedule A .....	12 00	
Use of auto .....	25 00	
Postage .....	62 49	
	<hr/>	\$107 74

## ASSESSORS.

Expenses to meetings .....	\$17 00
Wor. County Abstract Co. ....	29 93
The Stoneham Independent, supplies ....	1 00
Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....	3 91

Cahill's News Agency, supplies .....	2 21	
C. F. Leonard, writing property titles .....	4 50	
Carl Taft, use of auto .....	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$78 55

## SELECTMEN.

Dues for Selectmen's Ass'n. ....	\$6 00	
Expenses to meetings .....	27 00	
Postage .....	29 50	
	<hr/>	\$62 50

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Henry Clough, registrars' list .....	\$15 00	
Milford Daily News, advertising .....	11 25	
Robinson Seal Co., supplies .....	29 77	
Charles Entwistle, listing and clerical work .....	15 00	
A. S. Coleman, listing and clerical work .....	59 00	
Joseph McEwen, listing .....	4 13	
D. K. Barnes, listing .....	25 00	
Clark Printing Co., supplies .....	27 25	
D. K. Barnes, salary .....	10 00	
A. S. Coleman, salary as clerk .....	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$216 40

## ADVERTISING.

Milford Daily News, advertising .....	\$30 75	
	<hr/>	\$30 75

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Walter Taylor, salary .....	\$40 00	
	<hr/>	\$40 00

## DOG OFFICER.

Harold C. Barrows, salary .....	\$10 00	
	<hr/>	\$10 00



## PUBLIC WEIGHER.

Felix Bessette, salary .....	\$10 30	
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## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

Moses U. Gaskill, salary .....	\$120 00	
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## TAX COLLECTOR.

Postage .....	\$46 25	
Use of auto .....	10 00	
Milford Daily News, advertising .....	21 00	
Forbes Press, supplies .....	16 00	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....	12 96	
Barre Gazette, supplies .....	26 40	
Wicks Typewriter Service, adding machine .....	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$207 61

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Alfred B. Cenedella, salary .....	\$155 74
Harold F. Lowell, Forest Warden salary	25 00
Freeman C. Lowell, salary as Moderator	5 00
Joseph F. Edwards, death returns .....	1 00
Farrar Co., supplies, Civilian Defense	264 75
Wicks Typewriter Service, supplies ....	30 28
Forbes Press, supplies .....	2 00
Cahill's News Agency, supplies .....	18 89
The Charlescraft Press, town reports ....	190 00
The Charlescraft Press, Caucus posters	4 00
Goss & Whiting, repairs .....	2 50
M. M. Goodnow, repairs .....	6 65
Reg. of Motor Vehicles, reg. of tractor	2 00
William R. Bowen, delivering town reports .....	10 00

Use of auto for Selectmen, 1 year .....	30 00	
Payroll No. 1, town hall parking space and wall .....	52 00	
Payroll No. 2, repairing tables and chairs .....	47 70	
Payroll No. 3, hay scales and town hall repairs .....	87 62	
	<hr/>	\$935 13

## SUMMARY.

Appropriated .....		\$2,800 00
Expended .....	2,757 43	
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Unexpended .....		\$42 57

## THAYER CEMETERY FUND.

Cash on hand in bank .....	\$4 55
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## WORCESTER COUNTY TRADE SCHOOL TUITION.

Appropriation .....		\$28 40
Expended .....	\$28 40	
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		\$28 40

## INSURANCE ON TOWN BUILDINGS.

Appropriation .....		\$783 90
Expended, George Insurance Agency ....	\$783 90	
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		\$783 90

## RESERVE FUND.

Appropriation .....		\$1,000 00
Expended:		
Transferred to Snow Removal .....	\$200 00	
Transferred to Forest Fires .....	572 80	

Transferred to Road Machinery .....	50 00	
Transferred to General Repairs .....	100 00	
Transferred to Officers' Salaries .....	77 20	
		<hr/> \$1,000 00

## SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation .....	\$2,000 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	77 20
	<hr/> \$2,077 20

## Expended:

Arthur P. Dalton, Tax Collector .....	\$462 84	
Robert M. Donnelly, Supt. of Streets ....	343 00	
Albert S. Coleman, Town Clerk .....	125 00	
William R. Bowen, Welfare Chairman and Selectman .....	157 03	
Harold Metcalf, Chairman of Selectmen and Welfare member .....	158 33	
Roy A. Barrows, Selectman and Wel- fare member .....	81 00	
Harold C. Barrows, Constable .....	25 00	
Carl M. Taft, Assessor .....	100 00	
Edward T. Whiting, Chairman of Assessors .....	100 00	
Charles F. Leonard, Clerk of Assessors	250 00	
Moses U. Gaskill, Town Treasurer .....	250 00	
William A. Barry, Auditor .....	25 00	
		<hr/> \$2,077 20

## PARK DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation .....	\$100 00
Expended .....	\$83 95
Unexpended .....	16 05
	<hr/> \$100 00

Expended for labor .....	\$83 75
D. J. Pond, grass seed .....	20
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## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

No Expenditures

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation .....		\$85 00
Expenditures:		
Clifton Marshall Post American		
Legion .....	\$4 00	
J. Frank Leonard, wreath .....	5 00	
Clayton Parkinson, wreath .....	5 00	
Harold J. Parkinson, wreath .....	5 00	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	9 90	
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	2 25	
Post 22, G. A. R. ....	5 00	
A. S. Coleman, payment for band ....	35 00	
Johnson Bus Lines, Inc. ....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$81 15
Unexpended .....		3 85
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		\$85 00

## BONDS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation .....		\$108 00
Expended:		
Karl A. Bright .....	\$98 50	
Ralph R. Small .....	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$103 50
Unexpended .....		4 50
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		\$108 00

## WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

Appropriation .....		\$1,555 19
Expended		
Care and Maintenance .....	\$792 41	
Interest on Bonds .....	212 78	
Construction .....	550 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,555 19

## STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriation .....		\$627 00
Expended		
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co. ....	\$627 00	
	<hr/>	\$627 00

## SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES.

Appropriation .....		\$20 00
Expended		
Paid Swandale Cemetery Ass'n. ....	\$20 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 00

## MOTOR VEHICLE TAX REFUND.

Expended, 1941 .....	\$89 12
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## REAL ESTATE TAX REFUND.

Expended, 1941 .....	\$5 80
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## POLL TAX REFUND.

Expended, 1941 .....	\$1 98
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## MOTH SUPPRESSION.

Appropriation .....		\$200 00
Expended:		
Payrolls .....	\$184 00	
Wm. Bowen, transportation .....	2 00	

W. Mathewson, transportation .....	4 00	
W. N. Seibert, salary .....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$200 00

Respectfully Submitted,

WILLARD N. SEIBERT,

Moth Superintendent.

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SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation .....		\$100 00
Expended:		
One family in own home .....	\$56 00	
Unexpended .....	44 00	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

REPAIRS TO TOWN HALL.

Appropriation .....		\$500 00
Expended:		
Clarence Parkhurst, labor .....	\$200 00	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	135 86	
E. T. Powers, supplies .....	50	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	1 51	
Charles E. Clarke, labor .....	5 00	
M. M. Goodnow, repairs .....	32 60	
F. A. Gould, supplies .....	1 45	
Payroll No. 1, building parking area .....	121 00	
	<hr/>	\$497 92
Unexpended .....		2 08
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		\$500 00

## ASSETS.

## Uncollected Taxes:

1940 Property Taxes .....	\$1,200 64	
1941 Excise Taxes .....	53 27	
1941 Property Taxes .....	6,575 67	
	<hr/>	\$7,829 58

Due from the State of Massachusetts  
on Highways:

Chapter 81 .....	\$98 85	
Chapter 90 M .....	1 36	
Chapter 90 C .....	1,200 01	
	<hr/>	\$1,300 22

Due from the County of Worcester on  
Highways:

Chapter 90 M .....	\$1 36	
Chapter 90 C .....	600 01	
Millville Road, Special Allotment .....	212 63	
	<hr/>	\$814 00

## Welfare:

Due from State of Massachusetts, Temporary Aid .....	\$180 00
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## Aid to Dependent Children:

Due from the Federal Government for November and December ....	\$68 66	
Due from the State of Massachusetts for 1941 .....	492 79	
	<hr/>	\$561 45

## Old Age Assistance:

Due from the Federal Government for Nov. and Dec., 1941 .....	\$1,238 50	
Due from the State of Mass. from May to Dec. 31, 1941 .....	1,836 30	
	<hr/>	\$3,074 80



Cash in Hands of Treasurer, Jan. 1, 1942 \$2,982 60

Tax Titles:

Titles .....	\$716 66	
1 Title in Land Court .....	483 00	
	\$1,199 66	

Total Assets ..... \$17,942 31

LIABILITIES.

Due County of Worcester for Construction and Equipment of Worcester County Hospital .....	\$3,300	
Kennedy, Spencer & Co., Bonds on School House Addition .....	24,000 00	
Home National Bank (Notes on anticipation of revenue) .....	12,000 00	
	\$39,300 00	

LIST OF JURORS.

Robert Bartlett	Millville Street	Truck Driver
John J. Driscoll	Providence Street	Machinist
William R. Bowen	Bates Street	Poultryman
Gordon Good	North Avenue	Machinist
Ernest E. Souls	Bates Street	Pattern Maker
Harold Metcalf	Maple Street	Clerk
Edward T. Whiting	Maple Street	Contractor
Austin B. Taft	Maple Street	Farmer
Ellis L. Cook	Bellingham Street	Poultryman
George G. Davenport	North Avenue	Farmer
Robert Chase	Main Street	Collector
Roy A. Barrows	Blackstone Street	Dairyman
William F. Irons, Jr.	Main Street	Musician
Walter Taylor	Blackstone Street	Factory Worker
Silas Dudley	Maple Street	Collector

## SUMMARY.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Incidentals				
Salaries of Town Officers	\$2,000.00	\$2,757.43	\$42.57	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	77.20			
Reserve Fund	\$2,077.20	2,077.20		
Worcester County Hospital	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Moth Suppression	1,555.19	1,555.19		
Bonds of Town Officers	200.00	200.00		
Soldiers' Relief	108.00	103.50	4.50	
Board of Health	100.00	56.00	44.00	
	500.00	220.44	279.56	
Police Department	1,100.00	1,096.45	3.54	
Interest on Loans				
Memorial Day	100.00		100.00	
Park Department	85.00	81.15	3.85	
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	100.00	83.95	16.05	
Tuition Trade School	20.00	20.00		
Street Lights	28.40	28.40		
Board of Public Welfare	627.00	627.00		
Aid to Dependent Children	7,000.00	5,289.28	1,710.72	
Received from U. S. Grant	2,400.00			
	600.45	1,910.25	1,090.20	

## SUMMARY—Continued.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Bureau of Old Age Assistance Received from U. S. Grant	9,000.00 7,140.38	15,379.47	760.41	
Administration Account for Old Age Assistance Received from Federal Grant	246.13	227.43	18.70	
General Repairs Transferred from Reserve Fund	\$1,000.00 100.00	1,100.00		
Chapter 81 Town Appropriation Received from State	\$4,375.00 5,250.00	9,625.00		
Chapter 90 Maintenance Town Appropriation Received from State Received from County	\$1,200.00 1,200.00 1,200.00	3,600.00		

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Chapter 90, Hartford Ave., West				
Town Appropriation	\$2,100.00			
County Allotment	2,100.00			
State Allotment	4,200.00			
	\$8,400.00	8,399.92	.08	
Snow Removal				
Transferred from Reserve Fund	\$1,300.00			
	200.00			
	\$1,500.00	1,499.25	.75	
Road Machinery Account				
Transferred from Reserve Fund	\$409.33			
	50.00			
	\$459.33	458.51	.82	
Tree Warden	100.00	93.25	6.75	
Fire Department	700.00	690.84	9.16	
Forest Fires	\$300.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	572.80			
	\$872.80	872.80		
Taft Public Library				
	475.00	468.33	6.67	

## SUMMARY—Continued.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Emergency Relief Fund	\$2,500.00			
Transferred to Police Dep't.	550.00			
Transferred to Incidental Acc't.	300.00			
	<u>\$1,650.00</u>	917.91	732.09	
Insurance on Town Buildings	783.90	783.90		
Schools	18,650.00			
Dog License Refund	411.19			
	<u>\$19,061.19</u>	18,768.61	292.58	
Thayer Cemetery Fund	4.55		4.55	
	<u>500.00</u>	497.92	2.08	
Repairs to Town Hall				
	<u>\$85,619.52</u>	<u>\$80,489.39</u>	<u>\$5,129.63</u>	

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD METCALF, Chairman,

ROY A. BARROWS,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Selectmen of Mendon.

January 1, 1942.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

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TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

GENTLEMEN:

I hereby submit my annual report of the work done by the Highway Department during 1941.

### CHAPTER 81.

During the year we have surfaced six roads under maintenance and have rebuilt 2400 feet of road on Washington Street and the approaches on Emerson Street entering the State Road. While rebuilding and widening Washington Street 800 feet of concrete drainage pipe was installed, 5 new catch basins built and 300 feet of open side road drainage dug. On Blackstone Street one-half mile of new construction was done from the home of Louis Tetreault to Lewis Holbrook's house.

5150 yards of gravel and 550 yards of sand and stone were spread on several roads during the construction and road tarring while 12,350 gallons of Tarvia and asphalt were applied.

### CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

This year our 90 Maintenance surface treatments were given an armor coat of stone to wear longer. 9400 gallons of tar and asphalt were applied to sections of Northbridge Road, North Ave., Millville Street and Providence Road.

North Avenue was widened to 32 feet from the State Road to the High School and resurfaced. 1400 feet of guard rail and cable was erected on Millville Street and 300 feet on the Providence Road.

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

Construction on Hartford Avenue West was started this year. From the intersection with Thornton Street running easterly for a distance of 2500 feet, the road was widened, curves eased, ledge removed and the roadway raised from 18 inches in some sections to 7 feet in others, and a tarvia tack coat applied to hold the road surface until 1942 when the stone surface will be added.

## ROAD MACHINERY AND SNOW REMOVAL.

We have purchased an additional 2000 feet of snow fence this year to prevent drifting of snow in some of the open spots on back roads, and also a new V plow to mount on a truck that we may keep all of our roads open in a big storm and not just the main roads in the center of the town. With the shortage of labor and with men working in defense plants 24 hours of the day it is essential that we be equipped to keep all roads open at all times. This plow was purchased with money received from outside rentals of our own equipment. Our roller and grader were hired this year by Millville, Blackstone, Upton, and Sutton.

## SUMMARY.

In publishing last year's Town Report all payrolls showing earnings of employees were omitted. However, there was considerable criticism so I have requested the Selectmen to print this year's recapitulation sheet of the Highway department.

During the course of the year, the State Auditors made their audit of the town's accounts and then at a later date an article appeared in the local paper to the effect that the Highway Department had overdrawn its accounts in excess of \$5000. The Town Treasurer, Mr. Gaskill, wrote Mr. Long at the State House for an explanation of this article and received from him the reply that the State was not as prompt this year as in other years in making their payments to the



Town for Highway payrolls and that the Town should borrow to meet the payrolls and not draw from the general fund.

Each Spring contracts are signed by the Selectmen and the State Department of Public Works authorizing certain sums to be spent on the roads for the year. After these contracts have been signed and estimates made, the Superintendent of Streets is authorized to do the work and spend the money until the total amount is expended, and until such amounts have been spent the Highway Department has not overdrawn its accounts. At the time the article appeared in the paper several thousand dollars was unexpended in the Highway accounts as an examination by the Town Auditor at the time showed.

### CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I again thank the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of the town for their continued support and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. DONNELLY,

Superintendent of Streets.

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### GENERAL REPAIRS.

Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
Transferred from Reserve .....	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,100 00

### EXPENDITURES.

#### PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$329 50	
Equipment .....	81 00	
	<hr/>	\$410 50

## MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

Fiske Lumber Co., lumber .....	\$40 30	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	18 55	
Barrett Co., tarvia .....	285 60	
Dyar Sales Co., tools .....	65 00	
J. Rosenfeld, concrete .....	35 00	
Fisk-Alden Co., parts .....	1 80	
Haynes Welding, repairs .....	4 25	
Clark-Shaughnessey, oil .....	14 46	
Deke's Station, oil .....	17 73	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	36 87	
Grafton-Upton RR, freight .....	95	
Sunnyside Station, grease .....	6 00	
J. J. Gibbs, tape .....	70	
H. A. Daniels, insurance .....	43 43	
E. T. Powers, pipe .....	22 56	
W. S. Darley Co., signs .....	59 87	
B. & S. Electric, ignition .....	4 75	
Comm. of Mass., posts .....	25 30	
H. M. Curtiss, lumber .....	6 38	
		\$689 50
Total expenditures .....		\$1,100 00

## CHAPTER 81.

Town Appropriation .....	\$4,375 00	
State Allotment .....	5,250 00	
		\$9,625 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$2,418 00	
Equipment .....	4,533 75	
		\$6,951 75

## GRAVEL AND STONE.

M. L. Goldthwaite .....	\$30 80	
Mrs. Delia Henry .....	42 28	
J. Rosenfeld .....	268 70	
M. U. Gaskill .....	411 00	
	<hr/>	\$752 78

## PIPE.

Corbett Pipe Co. ....	\$352 00	
Berger Metal Culvert Co. ....	28 50	
	<hr/>	\$380 50

## SURFACING MATERIALS.

Barrett Company .....	\$777 28	
N. E. Asphalt & Tar Co. ....	350 87	
	<hr/>	\$1,128 15

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Fiske Lumber Co., lumber .....	\$4 35	
Bradbury-Locke Co., lumber .....	13 64	
Arthur Robinson, fence posts .....	7 50	
W. S. Darley Co., reflector buttons .....	8 39	
Milford Hardware Co., tools .....	13 80	
J. Rosenfeld, dynamite and caps .....	56 05	
Winchester Brick Co., brick .....	43 50	
State Prison, posts .....	122 79	
Clark-Shaughnessey, oil .....	4 00	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	18 04	
E. Rugg, brush hooks .....	13 00	
H. A. Daniels, insurance .....	106 76	
	<hr/>	\$411 82
Total expenditures .....		\$9,625 00

## CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE.

Town's Share (taken from 1941 gas refund) .....	\$1,200 00	
County Allotment .....	1,200 00	
State Allotment .....	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,600 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$1,315 24	
Equipment .....	944 15	
	<hr/>	\$2,259 39

## SURFACING MATERIALS.

Barrett Company .....	\$608 98	
N. E. Asphalt & Tar Co. ....	274 15	
	<hr/>	\$883 13

## SAND AND STONE.

J. Rosenfeld .....		\$250 40
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

Berger Metal Culvert Co., pipe .....	\$123 95	
C. C. Shattuck, paint .....	20 98	
H. A. Daniels, insurance.....	62 15	
	<hr/>	\$207 08
Total expenditures .....		\$3,600 00

## CHAPTER 90—(Millville Street).

## (Special).

State Allotment .....	\$212 63	
County Allotment .....	212 63	
	<hr/>	\$425 26

## EXPENDITURES.

N. E. Bolt Company, guard rail fittings	\$250 26	
State Prison, concrete posts .....	175 00	
	<hr/>	\$425 26

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

Town's share (taken from 1941 gas refund) .....	\$2,100 00	
County Allotment .....	2,100 00	
State Allotment .....	4,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$8,400 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$2,876 25	
Equipment .....	4,370 55	
	<hr/>	\$7,246 80

## MATERIALS.

Barrett Company, tarvia .....	\$188 09	
Carl Taft, fill .....	244 00	
M. U. Gaskill, gravel .....	165 00	
Corbett Pipe Co., pipe .....	283 00	
A. Sabatinelli, steel bits .....	78 75	
W. Heck, transporting explosives .....	20 00	
L. N. Jaques, caps .....	21 25	
County Courthouse, concrete bounds ....	23 75	
J. Rosenfeld, concrete .....	42 00	
H. A. Daniels, insurance .....	86 48	
	<hr/>	\$1,153 12
 Total expended .....	 \$8,399 92	
Balance .....	08	
	<hr/>	\$8,400 00

## SNOW REMOVAL.

Appropriation .....	\$1,500 00
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## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$523 00
Equipment .....	580 00
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	\$1,103 00

## SUPPLIES.

L. N. Jaques, bolts and wire .....	\$11 03
Deke's Station, gas and oil .....	20 97
Western Auto, parts .....	58
NYNH & H RR, freight .....	19 68
Milford Grain Co., salt .....	17 00
E. O. Rose, repairs .....	1 59
Dyar Sales Co., snow fence .....	325 40
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	\$396 25
Total expended .....	\$1,499 25
Balance .....	75
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	\$1,500 00

## ROAD MACHINERY.

Appropriation .....	\$409 33
Transferred from Reserve .....	50 00
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	\$459 33

## EXPENDITURES.

Fisk-Alden Co., repair parts .....	\$21 06
Milford Products, tractor retreads .....	14 40
J. B. Driscoll, forge and tools .....	25 00
Railway Express Co., freight .....	68
Western Auto Co., supplies .....	3 41
L. N. Jaques, bolts .....	2 90
Haynes Welding, repairs .....	50

Fiske Lumber Co., lumber .....	3 50	
Sunnyside Station, grease .....	4 50	
Deke's Station, oil .....	8 35	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	66 21	
Dyar Sales Co., tractor blade .....	8 00	
Dyar Sales Co., V-plow .....	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$458 51
Unexpended balance .....		82

## ROAD MACHINERY FUND.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1941 .....	\$ 82	
Road charges during 1941 .....	175 00	
Town of Sutton, roller rental .....	27 00	
Town of Upton, grader rental .....	56 25	
Town of Millville, roller rental .....	88 50	
Town of Blackstone, roller rental .....	140 50	
	<hr/>	\$488 07

## EXPENDITURES.

Bowen's Garage, gas and oil .....	\$15 85	
Fisk-Alden, roller parts .....	95 01	
C. C. Shattuck, gas and oil .....	46 63	
Deke's Station, gas and oil .....	19 52	
R. Brownly, operator .....	26 50	
	<hr/>	\$203 51
Total receipts .....	\$488 07	
Total expenditures .....	203 51	
Balance available for 1942 .....	<hr/>	\$284 56



# RECEIPTS FROM STATE AND COUNTY FOR HIGHWAYS.

## CHAPTER 81—Contract No. 3678.

Town Appropriation .....	\$4,375 00	
State Allotment .....	5,250 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,625 00
Total expended .....		9,625 00
Received from State .....	\$5,151 15	
Due from State .....	98 85	
	<hr/>	\$5,250 00

## CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE—Contract No. 7830.

Town Appropriation .....	\$1,200 00	
State Allotment .....	1,200 00	
County Allotment .....	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,600 00
Total expended .....		3,600 00
Received from State .....	\$1,198 64	
Received from County .....	1,198 64	
Due from State .....	1 36	
Due from County .....	1 36	
	<hr/>	\$2,400 00

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION—Contract No. 7974.

Town Appropriation .....	\$2,100 00	
County Allotment .....	2,100 00	
State Allotment .....	4,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$8,400 00
Total expended .....		8,399 92
Balance unexpended .....		08

Received from State .....	\$2,999 99	
Received from County .....	1,499 99	
Due from State .....	1,200 01	
Due from County .....	600 01	
	<hr/>	\$6,300 00

## MILLVILLE ROAD—Special Contract No. 7660.

State Allotment .....	\$212 63	
County Allotment .....	212 63	
	<hr/>	\$425 26
Total expended .....		425 26
Received from State .....	\$212 63	
Due from County .....	212 63	
	<hr/>	\$425 26

## WPA

During the early part of the winter, the WPA finished installing the drainage on North Avenue and then the men were transferred to a state-wide stream clearance project operating in Uxbridge and Northbridge, for which our contribution was the transportation charge.

By Spring, most of the men employed on the local WPA had secured work in private industry. We were notified by the district WPA office that the number of men left was insufficient to operate a project here in Mendon, and if we desired to continue with the program we would have to transport the men to Shrewsbury. A month later all of the men had secured work in private industry and we closed down all WPA work after a period of 8 years.

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CONCLUSION.

With industry absorbing the unemployed labor it will be unnecessary to appropriate any funds for WPA work in 1942. However we are still preparing local projects to have on hand against the day when the present war employment is over and private industry must of necessity lay off many employees. These projects approved by the Federal government will be then available for immediate use.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. DONNELLY,

WPA Coordinator.

## WPA APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation .....	\$2,500 00
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## MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

Treasurer of U. S., music project .....	\$10 00	
Dyar Sales, shovels .....	16 25	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	6 74	
Clark-Shaughnessey, oil .....	34 50	
M. Goldthwaite, gravel .....	82 60	
M. U. Gaskill, gravel .....	56 70	
Wm. Ross,, tool repairs .....	1 00	
Milford Cabinet Co., glass .....	50	
Phil & Co., boots .....	7 70	
Deke's Station, gas .....	2 55	
Corbett Pipe, pipe .....	216 00	
H. M. Curtiss, lumber .....	44 08	
E. T. Powers, pipe .....	21 85	
C. C. Shattuck, gas .....	68 94	
Louis Tetreault, transportation .....	164 00	
Carl Taft, trucking .....	90 00	
Harold Metcalf, trucking .....	94 50	
	<hr/>	\$917 91
Transferred to Police Dept. ....	\$550 00	
Transferred to Incidental Account .....	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$850 00
Unexpended balance .....		732 09
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		\$2,500 00

# SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES ON ALL HIGHWAY WORK IN 1941.

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 Maintenance	Chapter 90 Construction	General Repairs	Snow Removal	TOTALS
Robert M. Donnelly	\$525.00	\$253.74	\$483.00	\$42.25	\$174.00	\$1,477.99
William Auty	167.50	101.50	213.50	4.00		486.50
William Barry	31.00		17.00	4.00		52.00
Robert Bartlett				51.50	63.50	115.00
William Bowen	93.50	42.50	75.50	8.00	6.00	225.50
Lewis Bronson	38.00	20.00	89.00	1.80		148.80
Robert Brownly	152.00	31.00	95.75	50.00	61.50	390.25
R. Deiana	13.00					13.00
George Hutchinson	179.50	82.50	153.50	2.95	16.50	434.95
George Johnson	44.00	62.00	247.00			353.00
Everett Kempton	11.50	49.50	101.00		1.50	163.50
Clayton Longton					4.00	4.00
Russell Longton					4.00	4.00
Lester Mann	118.50	97.50	106.50			322.50
Willard Mathewson	93.00	56.00	183.00			332.00
William Munsell	275.00	142.50	275.00	50.00	45.50	788.00
Goodsil Peters	79.50	36.00	8.00			123.50
Joseph Randor					5.00	5.00
William Rondeau			4.00			4.00
Arthur Sibley, Jr.						
Roscoe Steere	282.00	112.00	291.50	28.00	10.50	723.50
Kenneth Taft			8.00			
Leo Tetreault	66.50		150.00	72.00	74.50	363.00
Napoleon Thiebault	227.00	121.50	260.50	8.00		617.00
Raymond Thomas	17.50	55.50	24.00			97.00
Harold Ward	4.00	51.50	90.50			146.00
Curtis Woodfall				7.00	46.50	53.50
TOTALS	\$2,418.00	\$1,315.24	\$2,876.25	\$329.50	\$523.00	\$7,461.99

## SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES—(Continued).

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90			General Repairs	Snow Removal	TOTALS
		Maintenance	Construction	RENTED EQUIPMENT—TRUCKS.			
D. Kinsley Barnes	\$486.00	\$111.00	\$381.00				\$978.00
Edward Goss	444.00	99.00	334.50				877.50
Harold Metcalf	655.00	189.00	532.50		69.00	96.00	1,541.50
Aldo Sabatinelli						194.00	194.00
Carl Taft	633.00	174.00	447.00		12.00	212.00	1,478.00
Leo Tetreault	522.00	186.00	550.50			78.00	1,336.50
	\$2,740.00	\$759.00	\$2,245.50		\$81.00	\$580.00	\$6,405.50
POWER SHOVEL.							
Rosenfeld							
Sand & Stone Co.	1,549.00	88.00	1,808.50				3,445.50
				COMPRESSOR.			
Aldo Sabatinelli	123.75	11.15	171.55				306.45
				GAS ROLLERS.			
Town of Northbridge	87.00						87.00
R. H. Newell Co.	24.00	66.00					90.00
				TOWN EQUIPMENT.			
Power Grader	10.00	20.00	145.00				175.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	4,533.75	944.15	4,370.55		81.00	580.00	10,509.45
TOTAL PAYROLLS	\$6,951.75	\$2,259.39	\$7,246.80		\$410.50	\$1,103.00	\$17,971.44

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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Appropriation .....		\$500 00
Expended:		
Dr. K. A. Campbell, services .....	\$31 00	
Transportation .....	8 20	
F. R. Phillips, salary as Inspector of Slaughtering .....	50 00	
Milford, Hopedale, Mendon Nursing Ass'n. ....	50 00	
Roy A. Barrows, placarding and fumi- gating .....	14 00	
A. H. Sweet, supplies .....	50	
B. F. Hartman, services .....	3 00	
Hastings Drug Co., vaccine .....	2 19	
Alec Wolec, town dump .....	50 00	
J. J. Gibbs, supplies .....	1 55	
State Department of Public Health, one-half Miscoe license .....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$220 44
Unexpended .....		279 56
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		\$500 00

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS, Chairman,

HAROLD METCALF,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Board of Health.



## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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Appropriation .....	\$550 00
Transferred from WPA Appropriation .....	550 00
	<hr/> \$1,100 00

### Expenditures:

Meals for prisoners .....	\$4 35
Court fees .....	57 65
Toll calls .....	26 09
Postage .....	50
Police duty May 30 .....	26 50
Police duty July 3 and 4 .....	62 50
Police duty October 31 .....	34 00
Police duty November 11 .....	14 00
Investigating accidents .....	198 00
Investigating complaints .....	154 00
Police duty on highways .....	182 00
Additional police work at Mendon Airport .....	336 87
	<hr/> \$1,096 46
Unexpended .....	3 54
	<hr/> \$1,100 00

During the year the following arrests were made:

Breaking and entering .....	16
Drunkenness .....	4
Non-support .....	2
Bigamy .....	1
Assault and battery .....	1

Summons to court for out of Town Police .....	16
Arrests for out of Town Officers .....	8
Investigated complaints .....	61
Answered calls for year .....	361

During the year there were 32 accidents reported to the Police Department with 28 injuries.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BARROWS,  
Chief Police Dept.

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## REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WEIGHER.

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I have had 29 weighings at 20 cents each and have turned over to the Town Treasurer the sum of \$5.80.

Respectfully submitted,

FELIX S. BESSETTE,  
Public Weigher.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

1941.

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet of Aggregates is given below:

## RECAPITULATION SHEET.

## Town appropriations:

Annual Town Meeting, March,		
1941 .....	\$61,320 82	
Debt and Interest .....	2,383 60	
State Tax, 1941 .....	4,125 00	
State Parks and Reservation Tax	64 33	
County Tax .....	2,840 92	
Repairs and Reconstruction of		
Bridges .....	84 02	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assess-		
ment .....	1,555 19	
Overlay for 1941 .....	999 26	
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	\$73,374 14	\$73,374 14
Estimated Receipts .....	\$31,661 86	
Available Funds (voted by Town		
Meeting and authorized by		
Tax Commissioner) .....	820 52	
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	\$32,486 27	\$32,486 27
Net Amount raised on Polls and		
Property .....	\$40,887 87	
477 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 each .....	954 00	
Total Valuation .....		1,377,030 00
Tax Rate .....	\$29 00	

Personal Property .....	127,900 00	
Real Estate .....	1,249,130 00	
Number of Assessments on Real Estate .....	527	
Number of Assessments on Personal Estate .....	102	
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	629	629
Number of male polls assessed .....	477	
Value of assessed stock-in-trade ....	\$3,450 00	
Value of assessed live stock .....	44,780 00	
Value of assessed machinery .....	72,350 00	
Value of all other assessed personal estate .....	7,320 00	
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Value of assessed personal property .....	\$127,900 00	\$127,900 00
Value of assessed buildings, excluding land .....	\$918,789 00	
Value of assessed land, excluding buildings .....	330,341 00	
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Value of assessed real estate .....	\$1,249,130 00	\$1,249,130 00
Total value of assessed property ....		1,377,030 00
Tax on personal estate .....	3,709 10	
Tax on real estate .....	36,244 77	
Tax on polls .....	954 00	
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Total poll and property taxes .....	\$40,887 87	\$40,887 87
Rate of tax per \$1,000 .....		29 00
Number of horses assessed .....		54
Number of cows assessed .....		574
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed .....		98

Number of swine assessed .....	38
Number of dwelling houses assessed .....	435
Number of acres of land assessed .....	10,780
Number of fowl assessed .....	3,616

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED  
TO COLLECTOR IN 1941.

Vehicles registered in 1940 .....	\$59 39	
Vehicles registered in 1941 .....	3,965 27	
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	\$4,024 66	\$4,024 66

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED  
1941.

1940 Taxes .....	\$2 00	
1941 Taxes .....	162 31	
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	\$164 31	\$164 31

OVERLAY ACCOUNT

Balance in Overlay Account .....	\$483 44	
1941 Overlay .....	999 26	
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Total Overlay .....	\$1,482 70	\$1,482 70

OVERLAY.

Total Overlay .....	\$1,482 70	
Abatements 1941 .....	1,144 24	
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Overlay Balance .....	\$338 46	\$338 46

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
CARL M. TAFT,  
CHARLES F. LEONARD,  
Mendon Board of Assessors

REPORT OF SEALER OF  
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES  
FOR 1941.

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Platform scale over 5000 lbs. (free) .....	1	
Platform Scales under 5000 lbs. ....	2	\$1 00
Spring Scales under 100 lbs. ....	3	30
Counter Scales under 100 lbs. ....	1	10
Computing Scales under 100 lbs. ....	1	10
Gasoline Pumps, Meter System .....	8	4 00
Gasoline Pumps, Hand Pumps .....	1	50
Kerosene Pumps, Hand Pumps .....	1	50
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	18	\$6 50

I have inspected the following licenses:

Peddlers .....	3
Fruit and Vegetable .....	5
Junk .....	2
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	10

I have collected \$6.50 for fees and have turned same over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER TAYLOR, Sealer.

Mendon, Mass., Dec. 31st, 1941.

## REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN.

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### FOREST FIRES.

Appropriation .....	\$300 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	572 80	
	<hr/>	\$872 80

### EXPENDED.

Payrolls .....	\$720 20	
H. Lowell, toll calls .....	1 20	
Farrar Co., supplies .....	151 40	
	<hr/>	\$872 80

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Forest Warden.



## REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

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Appropriation .....	\$700 00
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### EXPENDED.

Payrolls .....	\$353 50	
L. N. Jaques & Sons, supplies .....	2 44	
Deke's Filling Station, gas and oil .....	16 56	
Ryan Motor Sales, supplies .....	8 80	
Niro & Niro, labor and supplies .....	2 30	
Farrar Co., supplies .....	82 50	
Perkins & Butler, supplies .....	63	
Harold Lowell, supplies .....	13 88	
Joseph W. McEwen, gas .....	70	
Forbes Press, supplies .....	11 50	
Harold Lowell, salary .....	75 00	
Eddie's Service Station, supplies .....	1 50	
Geo. A. Johnson, janitor service .....	15 20	
Charlotte Lowell, test blowing .....	36 50	
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., power .....	33 00	
Clark-Shaughnessey, oil .....	36 83	
		\$690 84
Unexpended .....	\$9 16	
		\$700 00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL, Chief,  
 NORRY J. DAIGE,  
 EDWARD T. WHITING,  
 Fire Engineers.

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

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Appropriation .....	\$100 00
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### EXPENDED.

William Nuttall, salary .....	\$10 00	
Payrolls .....	83 25	
	\$93 25	
Unexpended .....	\$6 75	
	\$100 00	

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM E. NUTTALL,

Tree Warden.

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1941.

## 1939 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1941 .....	\$1,901 73	
Interest .....	95 33	
Tax Taking costs .....	2 84	
	<hr/>	\$1,999 90

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$1,893 47	
Tax Takings .....	45 53	
Subsequent Tax Title Credit .....	60 90	
	<hr/>	\$1,999 90

## 1940 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1941 .....	\$112 35	
Interest .....	19	
	<hr/>	\$112 54

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$110 54	
Abated .....	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$112 54

## 1940 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

Committed Jan. 18, 1941 .....	\$59 39	
Interest .....	09	
	<hr/>	\$59 48

CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$59 48	
	<hr/>	\$59 48

## 1940 POLL TAXES.

DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1941 .....	\$16 00	
Demands .....	70	
Interest .....	02	
	<hr/>	\$16 72

CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$12 72	
Abated .....	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$16 72

## 1940 PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1941 .....	\$8,218 34	
Interest .....	211 19	
	<hr/>	\$8,429 53

CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$7,124 49	
Tax Title Credit .....	104 40	
Uncollected .....	1,200 64	
	<hr/>	\$8,429 53

## 1941 POLL TAXES.

DR.

Taxes committed, including omitted assessments of August 4, 1941 .....	\$974 00	
Demands .....	16 80	
Over paid to Treasurer .....	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$992 80

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$850 80	
Abated .....	142 00	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$992 80

## 1941 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

First commitment Feb. 17, 1941 .....	\$954 24	
Interest .....	65	
	<hr/>	\$954 89

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$948 43	
Abated .....	6 46	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$954 89

## DR.

Second commitment June 23, 1941 .....	\$2,199 52	
Interest .....	1 46	
	<hr/>	\$2,200 98

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$2,146 31	
Abated .....	52 67	
Uncollected .....	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,200 98

## DR.

Third commitment, August 4, 1941 .....	\$473 75	
Interest .....	22	
	<hr/>	\$473 97

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$463 91	
Abated .....	10 06	
Uncollected .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$473 97

## DR.

Fourth commitment, October 7, 1941 ..	\$255 72	
Interest .....	32	
	<hr/>	\$256 04

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$237 76	
Abated .....	2 00	
Uncollected .....	16 28	
	<hr/>	\$256 04

## DR.

Fifth commitment, Dec. 2, 1941 .....	\$82 04	
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## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$47 05	
Uncollected .....	34 99	
	<hr/>	\$82 04

## 1941 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Total Personal and Real Estate Taxes		
committed .....	\$40,097 92	
Interest .....	15 99	
	<hr/>	\$40,113 91

Cr.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$32,385 20	
Abated .....	996 44	
Subsequent Tax Title Credit .....	156 60	
Uncollected .....	6,575 67	
	<hr/>	\$40,113 91

Total tax refunds for 1941 .....	\$94 92
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Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. DALTON,

Collector of Taxes.

January 1, 1942.



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

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### TEMPORARY AID.

#### RESOURCES.

Town Appropriation .....	\$7,000 00	
Expended .....	5,289 28	
Unexpended .....	1,710 72	
	<hr style="width: 150px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$7,000 00

### DETAILED EXPENDITURES.

#### MENDON SETTLED CASES.

One family in own home .....	\$285 80	
One person in own home .....	127 55	
One family in own home .....	120 00	
One family in own home .....	55 74	
One person in own home .....	96 00	
One family in own home .....	33 00	
One family in own home .....	12 75	
One family in own home .....	40 00	
	<hr style="width: 150px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$770 84

#### PAID OTHER TOWNS FOR MENDON SETTLED CASES.

Town of Franklin .....	\$90 00	
Town of Milford .....	812 25	
Town of Milford .....	396 07	
Town of Bellingham .....	498 30	
	<hr style="width: 150px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$1,796 62

WIFE AND CHILDREN SETTLED IN MENDON,  
HUSBAND STATE CASE.

One family in own home .....	\$20 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 00

CASES RESIDING IN MENDON SETTLED IN OTHER TOWNS.

Milford case .....	\$39 00	
	<hr/>	\$39 00

CASES WITH NO SETTLEMENT, CHARGEABLE  
TO THE STATE.

One family in own home .....	\$132 00	
One family in own home .....	10 00	
One family in own home .....	2 75	
One family in own home .....	547 87	
One family in own home .....	813 05	
One family in own home .....	479 00	
One person in own home .....	109 50	
One person in own home .....	31 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,124 72

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Mendon's share to Federal Government for Surplus Commodities Adminis- tration .....	\$272 19	
Mendon's share of cost of operating Surplus Commodities Warehouse in Milford .....	108 16	
Helpers for commodities truck .....	126 00	
Supplies, postage and telephone calls ....	19 75	
Hauling wood .....	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$538 10

## PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF ABOVE EXPENSE.

State of Massachusetts .....	\$2,124 72	
Other towns .....	39 00	
Mendon's share .....	3,125 56	
	<hr/>	\$5,289 28

## CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND.

The Welfare Department received a check for \$10 from the Bright Oak Club, Inc., which was used for Christmas Cheer Baskets for the needy.

## SURPLUS COMMODITIES.

## SURPLUS COMMODITIES WAREHOUSE.

Goods delivered in the Town of Mendon  
for the year of 1941 valued as follows:

Food .....	\$3,183 15	
Clothing .....	576 60	
	<hr/>	\$3,759 75

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,  
HAROLD METCALF,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
Board of Public Welfare,

## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

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Town Appropriation .....	\$2,400 00	
Federal Grant .....	600 45	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 45

### Expended:

5 families with total 9 children .....	\$1,910 25	
Unexpended .....	1,090 20	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 45

### APPORTIONMENTS OF ABOVE EXPENSE.

Fed. Government based on one-third up to \$18.00 for first child and \$12.00 for each additional child in each family .....	\$431 87	
State of Mass., one-third of balance ....	492 79	
Town pays the remainder .....	985 59	
	<hr/>	\$1,910 25

### ADMINISTRATION.

Federal grant .....	\$5 64	
No expenditures		
Balance unexpended .....		\$5 64

### AMOUNT DUE TOWN.

Federal Government for Nov. and Dec.	\$68 66	
State of Mass. for 1941 .....	492 79	
	<hr/>	\$561 45

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROY A. BARROWS,  
 Agent.

## REPORT OF AGENT OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

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43 persons aided, Mendon settlement ..	\$14,219 80	
2 persons aided, no settlement .....	383 50	
1 person aided, Milford settlement ....	360 00	
7 out-of-town cases with Mendon settlement .....	316 67	
1 indirect payment (funeral) .....	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$15,379 97

Appropriation by town .....	\$9,000 00	
Received from Federal grant .....	7,140 38	
Total amount available .....	<hr/>	\$16,140 38
Total spent .....		15,379 97
		<hr/>
Unexpended .....		\$760 41

### APPORTIONMENT OF ABOVE EXPENSES.

Town of Mendon share .....	\$2,719 98	
Federal Government .....	7,481 90	
State of Mass. ....	5,118 09	
Town of Milford .....	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$15,379 97

### ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE.

Unexpended Fed. Grant, Jan. 1, 1941	\$8 01	
Fed. grant received 1941 .....	238 12	
	<hr/>	\$246 13

## Expended:

Salary .....	\$120 00	
Office expense .....	107 43	
Total expended .....	<u>          </u>	\$227 43
Unexpended .....		18 70
		<u>          </u>
		\$246 13

## AMOUNT DUE TOWN.

Federal Gov. for Nov. to Dec. 31, 1941	\$1,238 50	
State of Mass. from May to Dec.		
31, 1941 .....	1,836 30	
	<u>          </u>	\$3,074 80

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS,

Agent.

SIXTY FIRST ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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This year we have run the Library at a minimum of expense to the townspeople. There have been no repairs or alterations of any kind done to the Library.

This coming year we would like an increased appropriation to install and change over book cases to make way for the ever increasing number of books. Also the Library building needs painting on the outside and if it is possible we would like to see it done.

Things have run along smoothly, with splendid cooperation from the Librarian and every one connected with the Library.

Respectfully submitted,  
ERNEST E. SOULS, Chairman,  
JEROME FOGWELL,  
HAROLD METCALF,  
LENA W. GEORGE,  
EDWARD T. WHITING, Secretary,  
Library Trustees.



REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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Appropriation .....	\$475 00
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Expenditures:

Barney Coal Co., fuel .....	\$36 50	
Rubenstein Bros., electrical repairs ....	2 00	
Worcester Sub. Elect., lights .....	10 02	
The R. H. Hunting Co., children's books	8 85	
Personal Book Shop, books .....	73 06	
Verena R. Daley, Librarian .....	225 00	
Gaylord Bros., Inc., library supplies ....	8 60	
A. Freeman, mowing .....	7 00	
Nina M. Burr, magazines .....	42 30	
Nancy Dudley, janitor .....	52 00	
American Library Association, dues ....	3 00	
		\$468 33
Balance .....		6 67

FLETCHER FUND.

Expended:

Personal Book Shop, Inc. ....	\$156 35
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Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
Finance Committee.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

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### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY:—

The circulation for the year (100 days) was 11,625 volumes. The largest given out in one day was 274, the smallest, 64, the average, 116. The circulation by classes was as follows: Fiction, 8136; Magazines, 2694; Biography, 231; Travel, 101; History, 134; Literature, 63; Useful and Fine Arts, 150; Science, 38; All others, 78.

There are 9015 volumes in the library. 226 were added this year. 88 were bought by the town, 122 with the Fletcher Fund, and 16 gifts.

The library subscribes to the American Magazine, American Home, Atlantic Monthly, Better Homes and Gardens, Boy's Life, Child Life, Country Gentleman, Colliers', Good Housekeeping, Instructor, Ladies' Home Journal, Life, McCall's, National Geographic, Parents' Magazine, Popular Mechanics, Reader's Digest, Saturday Evening Post and Woman's Home Companion.

\$14.40 was received in fines during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

VERENA R. DALEY,

Librarian.

Mendon, January 1, 1942.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF MENDON:

Pursuant to Chapter 41, Section 50, of the General Laws, I have examined and checked the accounts of the various Town Officers receiving and disbursing municipal funds for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1941 and find their accounts correctly cast with vouchers carefully filed.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. A. BARRY,

Auditor.

Mendon, January 20, 1942.

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

## TOWN OF MENDON

## MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1941

# SCHOOL DIRECTORY, 1941—1942.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Ernest E. Souls, Chairman .....	Term Expires 1943
Donald B. Lowell, Secretary .....	Term Expires 1944
Silas Dudley .....	Term Expires 1942

Regular meetings held at the Center School building on the first Monday of each month at 7.30 P. M.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—JEROME P. FOGWELL, B. S.

The Superintendent may be met every Wednesday morning between 9 and 12 at the Mendon Centre High School or by appointment.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center

Office Hours—4 to 5 o'clock P. M. on school days.

Telephone, Office—Milford 152-4

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

K. A. Campbell, M. D. .... Telephone, Milford, 102

## SCHOOL NURSE.

Helen C. Grady, R. N., Supervisor ..... Milford District Nursing Association

## JANITOR.

Raymond Barrows ..... Center School

## TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Harold C. Barrows

Harold C. Barrows

Kenneth Taft

# TEACHERS.

Name.	Subject or Grade.	Preparation.	Degrees or Yrs.	Yrs. Ser. in Town
Henry P. Clough, Principal	Math., Science, French	Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University	B.S.	Fourteenth
Frances A. White	Commercial, History	Salem State Tea. Col.	B.S.	Fourth
Nellie Walent	English, Latin	Keene Tea. Col., Boston Uni.	3 yrs. Dip. B.S.	Second
Helen Rand	Domestic Science, General Science, Biology, Civics	Framingham State Tea. Col.	B.S.	First
Elizabeth DeWitt	History, Geography, Physiology, Arithmetic	Worcester State Tea. Col.	B.S.	First
Maxine M. Hale	Grades 5 and 6	Worcester State Tea. Col.	B.S.	First
Eleanor C. Olson	Grades 4 and 5	Bridgewater State Tea. Col.	B.S.	First
Grace Gaskell	Grades 2 and 3	Framingham State Tea. Col.	Two	Third
Alice V. Daniels	Grades 1 and 2	Perry Kindergarten N. S.	3 yrs. Dip.	First
David N. Gellatly	Music Supervisor	Boston Conservatory of Music—Private Lessons	Grad.	Sixth

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM  
JANUARY, 1942 TO JUNE, 1943.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Open January 5, 1942  
Close April 17, 1942  
Open April 27, 1942  
Close June 19, 1942

SUMMER VACATION.

Open September 9, 1942  
Close December 24, 1942  
Open January 4, 1943  
Close April 16, 1943  
Open April 26, 1943  
Close June 18, 1943

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Close June 4, 1943  
Otherwise, same as High School

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

October 12, Columbus Day. November 11, Armistice Day.  
November 26, Thanksgiving Day and Friday following.  
February 22, Washington's Birthday. All legal holidays.



## AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL.

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September of any school year.

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## REPORT OF SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS.

OCTOBER, 1941.

Number of pupils examined .....	296
Number of pupils found defective in eyesight .....	20
Number found defective in hearing .....	2
Number of parents or guardians notified .....	22

## SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT.

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### RECEIPTS.

General Appropriation .....	\$18,650 00	
Dog Tax, 1941 .....	411 19	
Total Receipts .....		\$19,061 19
Total Expenditures .....	\$18,768 61	
Balance .....		\$292 58

### REIMBURSEMENTS.

General School Fund, Part I .....	\$1,471 25	
General School Fund, Part II .....	2,437 79	
Superintendent's Salary .....	746 66	
Tuition from State .....	206 49	
Tuition from Industrial School .....	3 60	
High School Grant .....	678 50	
Total Reimbursements .....		\$5,544 29

### TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS.

Total Expenditures .....	\$18,768 61	
Reimbursements .....	5,544 29	
Net Cost by Taxation .....		\$13,224 32

### EXPENDITURES.

School Committee Expenses .....	\$38 00	
Superintendent's Salary .....	902 30	

Superintendent's Expenses .....	142 88	
Salaries of Teachers .....	9,686 34	
Textbooks .....	208 16	
School Supplies .....	432 94	
Janitor's Wages .....	1,222 71	
Miscellaneous Operation .....	525 97	
Fuel .....	854 71	
New Equipment .....	134 57	
Health .....	401 50	
Transportation .....	3,924 13	
Total Expenditures .....		\$18,768 61

## REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MENDON:

In reviewing another school year as members of your committee, we find that our school has grown steadily, there being an increase of 27 pupils in 1941.

By adding another teacher to our staff in the High School we have lowered the number of pupils in each class, and by changing the High School schedule, we have given Mr. Clough two periods for supervision. The results have been most gratifying.

The number of pupils per teacher in the grades is also very high and another teacher should be added.

During the year four teachers left our staff either to get married or to accept other positions at higher salaries. We have been very fortunate in selecting teachers to replace them.

Your committee has made every effort to keep costs of school administration as low as possible, keeping in mind to maintain as high a standard in its teaching force as it was able to obtain. By very close supervision of our expenditures we have kept within our appropriation during the year 1941. The Town of Mendon has expended under the direction of the School Committee \$18,768.61 from an appropriation of \$19,061.19, leaving a balance of \$292.58, to be turned back to the Town.

The School Committee sincerely thanks the citizens of the Town for their moral and financial support during the past year.

Distribution of accounts and other school department information can be obtained from the Superintendent's report, which follows.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST E. SOULS,

Chairman, School Committee.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MENDON:

GENTLEMEN:

I hereby submit my first brief report as Superintendent of Schools, also the report of the High School Principal, the Supervisor of Music, and the School Nurse.

It would not be consistent for me to report at length regarding the educational functioning of the Mendon schools, because of my short service as superintendent. Four months service is not long enough for any supervisor to praise or criticise a public school system.

There are many factors, inside and outside a school house, that enter into the evaluation of any school system. Each of these factors must be considered as a unit in itself and of vital importance in educational efficiency. As a part of the whole structure each factor weakens or strengthens the educational process, and the general well-being of the young of any community, large or small, depends on the type of influence exerted by these factors. Factors that may be good—or bad.

Mr. Clough has, in his report to school authorities, covered the important activities of the school year. The health work of the school physician and school nurse is ably presented in the report of the school nurse. The health of pupils in the Mendon schools is in efficient "hands" and is consistently investigated and preventive measures promptly undertaken.

There is a need existing in the Mendon elementary grades that all school officials recognize. The need of another teacher in these grades. Pupils formerly attending a private school have entered the school and increased its enrollment. Thru grade six each teacher instructs in two grades. The number of pupils in these rooms is as follows:

Room I, Grades I and II .....	39 Pupils
Room II, Grades II and III .....	43 Pupils
Room III, Grades IV and V .....	48 Pupils
Room IV, Grades V and VI .....	45 Pupils

The pupil load for the teachers of Rooms II, III, and IV, is too heavy and is really detrimental to educational efficiency and discipline; particularly when there are retarded pupils, overage pupils, in these rooms, thus adding to the burden of the teachers. Of course, there is a limit also to the financial burden a town can carry, but if possible a teacher should be secured at once to relieve the situation in these grades.

The usual routine work of the schools such as examinations, etc. will be carried on as in former years. The number of boys and girls in school as of October 1, 1941 may be found listed in the Age and Grade Chart of this report.

The school Committee and all teachers have been conscientiously working for the good of the young of Mendon. All connected with the work of the schools have been courteous and cooperative with the Superintendent. I am duly appreciative.

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME P. FOGWELL,

Superintendent of Schools.



## AGE AND GRADE CHART AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1941.

GRADE	AGE																	Total
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
I	B	1	11	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	
	G	4	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	
II	B	...	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	
	G	...	1	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	
III	B	...	...	2	11	6	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	
	G	...	...	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
IV	B	...	...	...	4	7	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	
	G	...	...	...	3	13	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	
V	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	
	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	
VI	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	
	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	
VII	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	
	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	
VIII	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	
	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	
IX	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	
	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	
X	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	
	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	
XI	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
XII	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	
	G	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	
Totals		5	21	28	27	31	22	23	32	23	28	35	16	7	...	...	298	
Boys		1	13	13	15	13	11	17	16	7	21	20	8	2	...	...	157	
Girls		4	8	15	12	18	11	6	16	16	7	15	8	5	...	...	141	

## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

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TO MR. JEROME P. FOGWELL,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit the annual report of the Mendon Center School.

Registration figures continue to show a gradual increase in numbers. The senior high school enrollment remains relatively constant while that of grades seven and eight shows a sizeable increase. Throughout the lower grades there are slight increases generally. The enrollment of grade four is considerably greater than that of last year. The actual figures as of December 19, 1941, are as follows: Grade 1—twenty-three, Grade 2—twenty-six, Grade 3—thirty-two, Grade 4—thirty-six, Grade 5—twenty-three, Grade 6—thirty-six, Grade 7—thirty, Grade 8—twenty-six, Grade 9—twenty-two, Grade 10—eighteen, Grade 11—fourteen, Grade 12—nine.

The addition to the high school staff of one teacher has made possible several desirable improvements. First, the pupil teacher ratio in the high school has been reduced to a point meeting the approval of the State Department of Education. Second, it has made possible the introduction of two much needed courses, Household Arts for senior high school girls, and Biology. The class schedules of grades seven and eight has been improved, making more class time available for several subjects, and equalizing to a more satisfactory degree the subject load of boys and girls in the two grades. Finally, some time each day has been made available to the Principal for building supervision, the need for which has been great for some time. The pupil load per teacher in

grades below the seventh is still high, and there is a definite need for changes to remedy the present situation.

Graduation was held Friday, June 20, 1941, at the Unitarian Church. The graduates were: Nello A. Allegrezza, Ruth B. Corey, William R. Hensel, Eleanor F. Hersey, Alfred A. Lee, Clayton A. Longton, Dorothy Oppewal, Eleanor A. Parkhurst.

Prize Speaking took place April 4, 1941 at the Mendon Town Hall. Nine pupils took part in the speaking contest and prizes were awarded as follows: first prize—Norma P. Grassotti, second prize—Edith A. Souls, third prize—Raymond Oppewal.

On May 16, 1941, a spelling bee was held at the Town Hall with the following pupils winning: Grade 4—Alice Harts-horn, first, Laurita Phipps, second; Grade 5—Beulah Gaskill, first, Florence Cook, second; Grade 6—Madeline Simmons, first, Earl Rogers, second; Grade 7—Patricia Gaskell, first, Rosamond Coe, second; Grade 8—Shirley Coleman, first, Victor Wandres, second; Grades 9-12—Dorothy Oppewal, first, Carol Hook, second. Medals donated by the members of the School Committee were presented to the first prize winners.

On December 12, 1941 the annual senior play entitled "The Haunted High School" was presented at the Town Hall. The production was highly successful and was well received.

At the meeting of the Mendon High School Alumni Association held June 21, 1941, it was voted to make an annual award to the member of the graduating class who has contributed most to the growth and development of the Mendon High School during his association with the school. This award will be available beginning with the graduation in 1942 and should prove to be an inspiring incentive to students in the Mendon High School.

In keeping with the safety measures in operation throughout the country as a part of the Civilian Defense Program, the school has been organized and drilled in procedures designed to protect the school children. In the high school, time has been set aside for safety lectures and the fundamentals of air raid precaution education, as recommended by the State Department of Education in cooperation with the Massachusetts Committee on Public Safety.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation and that of the teachers of the school for the cooperation and assistance of the Superintendent of Schools, School Committee and townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Principal.

## SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

### FOR 1941.

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TO MR. JEROME FOGWELL,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

May I present to you the annual report of school nursing done in the Mendon Schools by the District Nurses for the year ending December 31, 1941.

Throughout the year the school nurse visited the school one day a week, usually on a Tuesday. At this time the classrooms were visited and each teacher contacted to discuss questionable health conditions that existed.

In January there was an outbreak of measles among the school children. The homes of all absent children were visited to make sure all cases were reported and under a physician's care, as we consider measles one of our most dangerous diseases.

The pupils were weighed and measured three times within the school year, and weight tags were sent home to parents or guardians.

In February the chest clinic reports of the children who attended the clinic in December, 1940, were distributed to the parents and the advice given by the clinic physician discussed and explained.

In May the annual two weeks Dental Clinic was in progress in the Center School. The setup was in the chemical laboratory room of the High School. Dr. H. M. Fielding of Worcester was in charge of the work assisted by the nurse. 170 children's teeth were examined. Notices were then sent

home to parents asking for signed consents either to have the work done at the clinic or by the family dentist.

Before the establishment of the dental clinic in the Mendon schools, the condition of the children's teeth was a real health problem. There is really no need now for children to lose days of school suffering from toothaches.

80 children had some work done in their mouths and 70 had all their dental defects corrected. Throughout the clinic period there were 182 fillings done, 200 extractions and 70 cleanings.

Home visits were made in the summer months to those whom Dr. Campbell had found with physical defects, to advise and discuss corrections. A large number were attended to before school opened in September.

At this time of year the nurses visited the homes of children entering school for the first time in September, advising early vaccination and physical examinations by the family doctors.

One child, a tuberculosis contact, was sent to the Sterling Health Camp for July and August and returned in splendid condition. Expenses were paid by Christmas Seal Sale fund.

In September and October the nurse was busy assisting Dr. Campbell, the school physician, with the annual physical examinations of all school children.

The following is a summary of the defects found among the school children by Dr. Campbell: enlarged tonsils 38, diseased tonsils 3, enlarged glands 5, heart murmur 7, anemia 5, cavities of teeth 48, wax in ears 18, skin condition 1, eye conditions 2, poor posture 4.

Notices of these defects were sent to parents or guardians. The school nurse followed up by home visits the notices of eye and ear defects sent to parents by the teachers, who are responsible for these examinations.



In December, 19 school children and 37 pre-school children were given two doses of toxoid for the prevention of diphtheria. These will finish the treatment early in January of 1942.

The following is a summary of the work done by the nurse within the school building.

Cleanliness Inspections of Pupils .....	884
Classroom Inspections of Pupils .....	60
Advice Given to Pupils .....	203
First Aid to Pupils .....	93
Pupils Inspected for Disease .....	510
Health Talks to Classes .....	28
Talks with Teachers about Pupils .....	144
Home Visits .....	200

Measles, mumps and whooping cough were the diseases reported and investigated.

In closing may I thank Mr. Philie, our former superintendent, and Mr. Fogwell, for their cooperation; Mr. Clough and the teachers for their assistance; the School Committee, Board of Health and Welfare Board for the aid they have given the school nurses; and the parents for their understanding and confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN C. GRADY,

School Nurse and Supervisor.



## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR.

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Mendon, Mass., Dec. 31, 1941.

TO MR. JEROME FOGWELL,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

MENDON, MASS.

Dear Sir:—

It gives me pleasure to offer my annual report in music as presented in the schools of Mendon.

The fundamental work in musical technique is progressing well in the grades. In the primary grades, many rote songs have been taught, and attention has been given to proper breathing and good tone production. In the upper grades, more difficult songs have been used, and part singing introduced.

During the past year, the correct rendition of the standard patriotic songs has been stressed. Most of these songs, are badly sung at community affairs. The usual mistakes in the singing of these songs have been pointed out to the students, and now such songs as "The Star Spangled Banner", "America", "America the Beautiful", and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic", are sung without the usual flaws.

We now have eight boys taking lessons on brass instruments. By next spring, we should have a good brass ensemble.

The Third grade rhythm band did splendid work this year, and gave a creditable performance at the annual spelling bee program.

On May 29th, the pupils of grades one to six, presented a pageant in the Town Hall.

The singing of the High School chorus has been especially fine this year. One of the features of the graduation program was their singing of the "Blue Danube", by Strauss.

In closing, I wish to thank you, Mr. Fogwell, the school committee, Mr. Clough, and the teachers, for all of the help given to me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID N. GELLATLY,

Supervisor of Music.

MENDON HIGH SCHOOL  
PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST  
MENDON TOWN HALL, APRIL 4, 1941

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America, Beloved Land ..... Wilson  
High School Chorus

Life is Bitter ..... Parcher  
Deborah L. Walker

Liquor Propaganda and Youth ..... Lindquist  
Russell C. Longton

Mrs. Tree ..... Richards  
Pauline M. Nason

(a) The Olden Songs ..... Folk Song

(b) Heab'n, Heab'n ..... Folk Song  
Girls' Chorus

Fighting Prairie Fire ..... Unknown  
Victor C. Wandres

At the Declamation Contest ..... Black  
Lois B. Coleman

The Dilemma of Democracy ..... Schneider  
Raymond Oppewal

(a) Volga Boatman's Song ..... Folk Song

(b) Tiratomba ..... Folk Song

Boys' Chorus

The Newlyweds ..... Unknown

Norma P. Grassotti

It Can Be Done ..... Raschke

Donald Oppewal

My First Date ..... Lain

Edith Souls

On the Lagoon ..... Brahms

High School Chorus

Decision of Judges

GRADUATION EXERCISES  
OF  
MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 1941

UNITARIAN CHURCH

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PROGRAM

Processional—March Pontificale ..... Gounod

Mr. David N. Gellatly

Invocation

Rev. Roy B. Wintersteen

Salutatory and Essay—Education for Defense

Nello A. Allegrezza

Essay—The Enrichment of Spiritual Life

Eleanor F. Hersey

Essay—The Preservation of Individual Liberties

Alfred A. Lee

Song—The Stars and Stripes Forever ..... Sousa

High School Chorus

Essay—The Support of Public Education

Ruth B. Corey

Essay—The Development of Human Resources

William R. Hensel

Essay—The Conservation of National Resources

Eleanor A. Parkhurst

Song—Jeannette and Her Little Wooden Shoes ..... Herbert

High School Chorus

Essay—The Strengthening of Civic Loyalties

Clayton A. Longton

Essay and Valedictory—The Building of Economic Security

Dorothy Oppewal

Song—Springtime (Blue Danube) ..... Strauss

High School Chorus

Presentation of Diplomas and Awards

Mr. Ernest E. Souls, Chairman of School Committee

Benediction

Rev. Roy B. Wintersteen

Recessional—Festival March ..... Mendelssohn

Mr. David N. Gellatly







ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF MENDON  
INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE  
Municipal Year Ending, December 31, 1942

276TH ANNUAL REPORT

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1943.

## TOWN OF MENDON.

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Town of Mendon Incorporated May 15, 1667.

Population 1315, 1940 Census.

Registered Voters in 1942: Men, 392. Women, 374. Total, 766.

Annual Meeting: First Monday in March.

County Commissioners:

Elbert M. Crockett, Chairman ..... Milford

George W. Jones ..... Worcester

Francis E. Cassidy ..... Webster

Congressman, Joseph William Martin, Jr. .... North Attleboro

Councillor, George E. Nelson ..... Worcester

Senator, Everett W. Stone ..... Auburn

Representative General Court, Daniel B. Lane, Jr. Whitinsville

Fourth Congressional District

Seventh Councillor District

Fourth Senatorial District

Ninth Worcester Representative District

## TOWN OFFICERS.

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### SELECTMEN.

(Selectmen serve as Board of Public Welfare  
Board of Health and Fence Viewers).

Harold Metcalf      Roy A. Barrows      William R. Bowen

### TOWN CLERK.

Albert S. Coleman

### TOWN TREASURER.

Moses U. Gaskill

### TAX COLLECTOR.

Arthur P. Dalton

### ASSESSORS.

Carl M. Taft    Edward T. Whiting    Charles F. Leonard, Clerk

### AUDITOR.

William A. Barry

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Donald B. Lowell      Ernest E. Souls      Silas H. Dudley

### TRUSTEES OF TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Harold Metcalf      Ernest E. Souls      Jerome Fogwell  
Lena W. George      Edward T. Whiting, Secretary

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Charles C. Entwistle   D. Kinsley Barnes   Joseph W. McEwen  
Albert S. Coleman, Clerk

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

[illegible]

## PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Norry J. Daige      Duncan J. Pond      Edward T. Whiting

Constable and Chief of Police .....	Harold C. Barrows
Tree Warden .....	William E. Nuttall
Town Solicitor .....	Shelley D. Vincent
Dog Officer .....	Harold C. Barrows
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	Walter Taylor
Superintendent of Schools .....	Jerome Fogwell
Fire Chief and Forest Warden .....	Harold F. Lowell
Superintendent of Streets .....	Robert M. Donnelly
Burial Agent .....	Norry J. Daige
Inspector of Slaughtering .....	George W. Gardner
Inspector of Animals .....	Moses U. Gaskill

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

1942.

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 SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM  
 JANUARY 1, 1942 to DECEMBER 31, 1942.

Series 1	Resident Citizens Fishing	82	\$2.00	\$164.00
2	Resident Citizens Hunting	62	2.00	124.00
3	Resident Citizens Sporting	47	3.25	152.75
4	Resident Citizens Minors and Female Fishing	48	1.25	60.00
6	Resident Citizens Trapping	1	5.25	5.25
8	Special Non-resident Fishing	4	1.50	6.00
10	Non-resident Fishing	3	5.25	15.75
12	Non-resident Sporting	1	15.25	15.25
13	Duplicate License	1	.50	.50
				<hr/> \$543.50
	Fees retained by Clerk	248	.25	62.00
	Amount paid Division of Fisheries and Game as per monthly reports			<hr/> \$481.50
Series 7	Resident Citizens Sport- ing Free	10		

## DOGS LICENSED IN 1942.

117 Males at \$2.00 each .....	\$234 00	
23 Females at \$5.00 each .....	115 00	
38 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each .....	76 00	
3 Kennel Licenses at \$25.00 each ....	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$500 00
Less Clerk's Fees, 181 licenses at 20c		36 20
		<hr/>
Cash paid Town Treasurer as per		
Monthly returns .....		\$463 80

Dog Licenses become due April 1st. Please assist the Clerk by paying your Dog's License promptly.



## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1942.

Date of Birth 1942	Name of Child	Parents with Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 5	Priscilla Jean Kopeski	Edwin and Rita Tetreault
Jan. 8	Robert Edward Hartshorn	Frederick and Loleita Belcher
Jan. 15	Evelyn Eva Dautrich	Chester T. and Louise A. Smallwood
Feb. 10	Nancy Anne Dudley	Raymond C. and Martha Thompson
Feb. 10	Mary Elizabeth Shanahan	Charles J. and Geraldine Murphy
Feb. 11	John Patrick Carrabba	John and Helen Quirk
Feb. 26	James Martin Kennelly	F. Everett and Mildred Auty
Mar. 1	Patricia Lynne Koweluck	Michael and Ruth E. Hogarth
Mar. 7	Clifford Howard Miller	Raymond A. and Viola B. Elsner
Mar. 8	Ronald Edward Tetreau	Floribert H. and Lillian Preston
Mar. 12	Jeanne Frances Gaskill	Richard M. and Dora G. Streeter
Mar. 16	Vernon Alfred Barrows, Jr.	Vernon A. and Emma M. Taft
Mar. 19	Karen Louise Neal	Charles F. and Lillian Barry
Mar. 20	June Mary Whalen	William J. and Dorothy E. June
Apr. 14	Roger Eliot Taft	Austin B. and Shirley Smith
Apr. 17	William Edwin Grant	William E. and Marjorie M. Foley
June 17	Shirley Richards	Norman and Irene Darch
June 20	Silas Leonard Dudley	Silas H. and Dorcas M. Barrows
June 23	Donna Marie Deiana	Ralph G. and Alba Sabatinelli
July 3	Carol Ann Hickmott	Richard E. and Rose Comastra
July 25	Joseph Anthony Reed	Joseph D. and Marion R. Melanson
July 26	Richard Tyler Allen	Donald J. and Alice Allaire
Sept. 3	Arthur Alfred Sabatinelli, Jr.	Arthur A. and Louise A. Davenport
Sept. 29	Ronald Arthur Bethel	Arthur and Evelyn Dunton
Oct. 18	Richard Alden Johnson	Herbert V. and Eva L. Dalrymple
Oct. 27	Elizabeth Ann Clark	Martin P. and Elizabeth Wonderly
Oct. 28	Arthur Gerald Haagsma	Gerhardus and Anna Wiersma
Nov. 18	Sandra Ellen York	George W. and Inez L. Thurber
Nov. 24	Palmer	Curtis and Christine Riley
Dec. 1	Levesque	Henry and Jeannette Bessette
Dec. 10	Mantone	Matthew and Dorothy S. Brown
Dec. 15	White	Ernest and Theda P. Knights
Dec. 17	Emerson Freeman White	Jesse F. and Margherita O. Cassino
Dec. 18	Sheila Perkins	Milton and Bertha Novak
Dec. 21	Sandra Jane Woodfall	Curtis L. and Eleanor Jackson
Dec. 29	Gilda Sue Werber	William and Sylvia Cohen
Dec. 29	Charles Francis Dalrymple	James Roy and Florence G. Johnson

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1942.

Date of Marriage 1942	Names	Residence
Jan. 10	Lawrence C. Woodfall, Jr. Eleanor B. Jackson	Mendon Milford, Mass.
Apr. 18	Robert Phillips Congdon Helen Augusta Taft	Hopedale, Mass. Mendon
Apr. 20	Edward Lohnes Natalie Dansereau Stimpson	Mendon Mendon
June 6	Ernest Perry Wood, Jr. Margaret Norma Phillips	Mendon Woonsocket, R. I.
June 27	Eugene Joseph Beausoleil Marjorie Eleanor Hogarth	Woonsocket, R. I. Mendon
July 10	Joseph Arthur Rondeau Priscilla Dorothy Simmons	Mendon Mendon
Aug. 18	George F. Barton Arlene Waldron	Newton, Mass. Framingham, Mass.
Aug. 22	Harold Wendall Freeman Alice Vestella Daniels	Mendon Mendon
Sept. 4	Paul H. Johnson Ruth Ellison	Worcester, Mass. Worcester, Mass.
Sept. 6	Clifford M. Eisner Marion Louise Robertson	Mendon Bellingham, Mass.
Sept. 17	Walter Albert Gaskill Margaret Alberta McCracken	Mendon Milford, Mass.
Oct. 21	Alfred Auty Hazel Nora Holden	Mendon Milford, Mass.
Oct. 31	Hiram Stearns Louise Boover	Mendon Mendon
Dec. 8	Edward J. Boover Mildred E. Bowen	Mendon Mendon
Dec. 26	Hugo Edward Hammann Helen May Nestor	Hartford, Conn. Hartford, Conn.

# DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1942.

Date of Death 1942	Name	Age			Cause of Death
		Y	M	D	
Jan. 18	Charles Erford Cook	65	7	8	Bronchial Pneumonia
Mar. 16	Narcisse Faust	67	8	12	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Apr. 14	Mary A. Preston Daniels	82	..	..	Acute Bronchitis
Apr. 25	John J. McGovern	47	1	..	Angina Pectoris
July 12	Lou Dexter McGaughey	50	5	24	Metastatic Carcinoma of Skull
July 17	Charles John Phillips	79	2	22	Arterial Thrombosis with Gangrene
Aug. 23	George Francis Slade	85	6	1	Fractured Skull
Aug. 27	Annie Neil	67	1	8	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Oct. 1	Joseph Anesta	59	5	7	Pneumonia
Dec. 2	Mary L. Bradbury	73	1	9	Coronary Occlusion
Dec. 29	Lyman Edgar Wheeler	87	8	26	Broncho Pneumonia

NOTICE

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Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the Town Clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete.

Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after the birth in his house shall cause complete notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town in which such child is born. Parents should give this their prompt attention as it is very important and necessary for complete record.

## SOME OF THE MANY

## REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED.

- To establish identity.
- To prove nationality.
- To prove legitimacy.
- To show when the child has the right to enter school.
- To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.
- To establish the right of inheritance to property.
- To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.
- To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.
- To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.
- To establish the right to hold public office.
- To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.
- To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.
- To prove age for Old Age Assistance.
- To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Parents be sure to record the birth of your child with given name in full.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Your attention is called to the provisions of Section 36 and 55 of Chapter 207 of the General Laws relating to marriages solemnized out of this state, which are as follows:

"Section 29 of Chapter 151 of the Revised Laws: If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth who return to dwell here they shall, within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage, including the facts relative to marriages, which are required by law, and for neglect thereof shall forfeit ten dollars."

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs three months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's office on or before April 1, 1942.

I take this opportunity in wishing the Townspeople much prosperity during the year 1943.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1943.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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The Treasurer of the Town of Mendon submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1942.

The Treasurer debits himself with receiving the following amounts:—

Cash balance Jan. 1, 1942 .....	\$2,982 60
County Treasurer, Dog Fund .....	444 01
State Treasurer, Highways, 8269 .....	1,160 56
County Treasurer, Highways, 8269 .....	580 28
State Treasurer, School Fund, Part II .....	2,540 01
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes .....	30,000 00
State Treasurer, Income Tax .....	5,725 00
County Treasurer, Dog License Refund .....	30 19
Town Clerk, Dog License Fees .....	465 60
State Treasurer, Support of Indigent Persons .....	127 00
License Fees .....	576 00
State Treasurer, Aid to Dependent Children .....	636 74
State Treasurer, Temporary Aid and Transportation .....	2,516 56
Estate of Nellie W. Alderman, for Library .....	100 00
George A. Johnson, Town Hall Rent ....	362 50
State Treasurer, Old Age Assistance ....	6,614 94
Town of Milford, Public Welfare .....	285 07
State Treasurer, Inspection of Animals .....	75 00
State Treasurer, Highways, Chap. 420 .....	4,023 71
State Treasurer, Vocational Education .....	19 20
State Treasurer, Highways, Con. 3857 .....	4,942 83
District Court, Fines .....	20 00

Refund Public Welfare .....	12 50
Emmott Co., Refund .....	2 84
Land Court .....	9 50
Fees from Hay Scales .....	4 40
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	5 40
Library Fines .....	15 03
State Treasurer, Highways, Con. 3678 .....	98 85
State Treasurer, Meal Tax .....	106 79
State Treasurer, Highways, Chap. 90 .....	520 72
County Treasurer, Chap. 90 .....	520 72
State Treasurer, Tuition and Transportation .....	277 55
State Treasurer, Superintendent of Schools .....	656 15
State Treasurer, Corporation Taxes ....	2,333 30
State Treasurer, High School Tuition .....	928 57
Tax Title Redemption .....	48 92
Road Machinery Reserve Fund .....	125 00
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant .....	8,695 11
Other Receipts .....	150 25
Mothers' Aid, U. S. Grant .....	589 00

## Collector of Taxes:

1940 Property .....	\$1,253 03
1941 Excise .....	94 04
1942 Poll .....	828 86
1942 Excise .....	3,212 27
1942 Property .....	36,926 11
1941 Property .....	6,526 25
Total Receipts .....	<hr/> \$128,168 96

## RESERVE FUND

\$1,000 00

Transferred to Fire Department .....	\$251 00
Transferred to Police .....	57 00
Transferred to Snow Removal .....	123 73



Transferred to Incidentals .....	205 68	
Transferred to Chapter 81 .....	01	
		<hr/> \$637 42

## TAX TITLES.

14 .....	\$1,355 92
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The Treasurer Credits himself with paying the following amounts:—

Support of Schools .....	\$19,600 82
Library .....	504 05
Incidentals .....	3,205 68
Officers' Salaries .....	2,064 35
Snow Removal .....	1,123 73
Road Machinery .....	283 58
General Repairs .....	990 88
Worcester County Hospital .....	1,571 37
Insurance .....	725 76
Soldiers' Relief .....	315 00
Bonds for Town Officers .....	111 00
Fire Department .....	948 78
Motor Tax Refund .....	60 04
Police .....	756 83
Board of Health .....	240 36
Fire Truck .....	1,450 00
Street Lights .....	627 00
Highways, Chapter 81 .....	9,000 01
Tree Warden .....	48 00
Forest Fires .....	489 60
Moth Suppression .....	145 65
Blackstone Street Drainage .....	1,998 05
Memorial Day .....	76 05
Park Department .....	91 25
Chapter 90, Maintainance .....	2,667 25
Property Tax Refund .....	19 01
Director of Accounts .....	10 00

School House Notes .....	2,000 00	
Interest on Notes .....	540 00	
State Tax .....	3,600 00	
County Tax .....	2,074 51	
State Parks .....	51 25	
Auditing Municipal Accounts .....	383 06	
County Treasurer, Dog License Fees ...	465 60	
Home National Bank, Revenue Notes ..	\$33,800 00	
Home National Bank, Interest .....	98 83	
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves .....	20 00	
Public Welfare .....	5,688 30	
Mothers' Aid .....	1,800 00	
Old Age Assistance .....	18,469 20	
Total Expenditures .....		\$118,114 85
Cash balance Jan. 1, 1943 .....		10,054 11
		<hr/>
		\$128,168 96

## FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,203 55	
To Cash received, Interest .....	116 82	
	<hr/>	\$5,320 37

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$5,166 18	
By Seven Library Orders .....	154 19	
	<hr/>	\$5,320 37

## NATHAN R. GEORGE, Jr. FUND.

## DR.

To Cash received .....	\$1,000 00	
To Cash, Interest .....	6 67	
	<hr/>	\$1,006 67

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$1,006 67	
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## ANNA ELLIS LIBRARY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash received .....	\$500 00
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## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$500 00
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## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$768 33	
To Cash in Worcester Co., Savings Institution .....	714 93	
To Cash, Interest, Milford Savings Bank .....	17 37	
To Cash, Interest Worcester Bank .....	14 36	
	<hr/>	\$1,514 99

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$785 70	
By Cash in Worcester Bank .....	729 29	
	<hr/>	\$1,514 99

## F. N. THAYER CEMETERY FUND.

## DR.

To Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$4 55	
To Cash received from State Treasurer .....	3 50	
To Cash received, Interest .....	11	
	<hr/>	\$8 16

## CR.

By Cash in Milford Savings Bank .....	\$8 16
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Respectfully submitted,

MOSES U. GASKILL,

Treasurer.

January 1, 1943.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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### INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation .....	\$3,000 00	
Transferred from reserve fund .....	205 68	
	<hr/>	\$3,205 68

### CARE AND OPERATION OF TOWN HALL.

George A. Johnson, janitor .....	\$150 00	
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	118 79	
Barney Coal Co., coal .....	262 50	
William R. Bowen, wood .....	14 00	
E. T. Powers, repairs to pump .....	50	
Grace H. Taft, supplies .....	1 80	
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	95	
Edith Rogers, floor oil .....	1 75	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	3 04	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	20 05	
	<hr/>	\$573 38

### CARE AND OPERATION OF RECORD ROOM.

N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co., toll calls .....	\$19 45	
Carrie Marlow, janitor .....	36 50	
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	1 05	
R. O. Sweet, repairing oil burner .....	3 50	
R. B. Dalrymple, labor and supplies ....	11 56	
C. C. Shattuck, paint .....	5 15	
Bradbury Locke Co., supplies .....	4 00	
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., lights .....	9 48	
Clark & Shaughnessy, oil .....	76 38	
	<hr/>	\$167 07

## RATIONING BOARD.

The Forbes Press, supplies .....	\$8 75	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....	39 64	
Moses U. Gaskill, salary as clerk .....	9 00	
Cahill's News Agency, supplies .....	1 60	
	<hr/>	\$58 99

## BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS.

Payroll No. 1, Annual Town Meeting ....	\$31 50	
Payroll No. 2, State Primaries .....	22 00	
Payroll No. 3, State Election .....	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$101 50

## TOWN CLERK.

Cahill's News Agency, supplies .....	7 90	
The Charlescraft Press, supplies .....	14 75	
A. S. Coleman, supplies .....	2 40	
Expenses to meetings .....	40 25	
Money orders and postage .....	2 90	
Hill College, supplies .....	26 50	
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., supplies .....	2 93	
Use of auto .....	5 00	
Swearing in Town Officers .....	7 00	
Toll calls .....	30	
Recording births, deaths and marriages	48 00	
Jeremiah Twomey, supplies .....	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$160 43

## TOWN TREASURER.

Making Schedule A .....	\$12 00	
Use of auto .....	25 00	
Overhauling adding machine .....	4 00	
The Charlescraft Press, supplies .....	8 50	
Postage .....	79 85	
	<hr/>	\$129 35

## SELECTMEN.

Dues for Selectmen's Association .....	\$6 00	
Postage .....	20 32	
Expenses to meetings .....	20 00	
Robert Donnelly, work on reports .....	35 00	
American City Magazine Co. ....	4 00	
The Forbes Press .....	18 00	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....	5 70	
	<hr/>	\$109 02

## ASSESSORS.

Wor. County Abstract Co. ....	\$36 91	
C. F. Leonard, writing property titles	4 50	
Expenses to meetings .....	5 00	
Carl M. Taft, use of auto .....	20 00	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....	33 86	
	<hr/>	\$100 27

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

The Charlescraft Press, caucus posters	\$5 00	
Clark Printing Co., supplies .....	89 00	
Milford Daily News, advertising .....	58 88	
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., supplies .....	25 09	
Charles C. Entwistle, salary .....	10 00	
A. S. Coleman, salary and listing .....	79 00	
D. K. Barnes, salary and listing .....	40 00	
J. W. McEwen, salary and listing .....	32 69	
	<hr/>	\$339 66

## TAX COLLECTOR.

Use of auto .....	\$10 00	
Postage .....	40 50	
Roll for adding machine .....	90	
Milford Daily News, advertising .....	7 50	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....	13 86	
Stoneham Independent, supplies .....	1 00	
The Barre Gazette, supplies .....	29 15	
The Forbes Press, supplies .....	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$127 91

## DOG OFFICER.

Harold C. Barrows, salary .....	\$10 00	
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## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Walter Taylor, salary .....	\$40 00	
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## PUBLIC WEIGHER.

Felix S. Bessette, salary .....	\$2 20	
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## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

Moses U. Gaskill, salary .....	\$150 00	
	<hr/>	\$150 00

## CIVILIAN DEFENSE.

C. C. Shattuck, paint for first aid room	\$8 45	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., phones .....	131 77	
Postage and supplies .....	23 67	
W. S. Darley, supplies .....	230 97	
American Railway Express .....	10 36	
Cosgrove Bros., arm bands .....	6 50	
Arthur F. Wood, armbands .....	38 50	
Clark & Shaughnessy, oil barrel .....	4 65	
Merrill & Usher, pails .....	10 00	
Annie Ballou, instructor .....	16 00	
C. T. Sherer Co., Inc., blackout material	20 49	
Farrar Co., first aid kits .....	15 00	
B. L. Makepeace, Inc., maps .....	29 74	
Sawyer Lumber Co., riot sticks .....	7 92	
George O. Dunford, police clubs .....	15 00	
M. Hoffman & Co., arm bands .....	7 16	
Seaver's Express .....	53	
Chippewa Mills, Inc., supplies .....	4 61	



Hireing of films .....	9 47	
C. E. Cooney, blackout material .....	7 14	
Advertising salvage bids .....	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$600 93

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Cahill's News Agency, supplies .....	\$43 26	
B. L. Makepeace, Inc., maps .....	14 13	
Repairing hay scales .....	7 00	
Delivering town reports .....	10 00	
M. M. Goodnow Co., repairs .....	27 50	
Dep't. of Public Works, blueprints .....	2 10	
Reg. of Deeds, Taft Ave. layout .....	2 00	
The Charlescraft Press, town reports	198 00	
Shelley D. Vincent, salary 10 months	83 33	
A. B. Cenedella, salary and expenses ...	145 15	
W. W. Watson, death returns .....	1 50	
C. W. Bouck, death returns .....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$534 97

## SUMMARY.

Appropriated .....	\$3,000 00	
Transferred from reserve fund .....	205 68	
	<hr/>	\$3,205 68
Expended .....	\$3,205 68	

## THAYER CEMETERY FUND.

Cash on hand in bank .....	\$8 16
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## SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation .....	\$2,500 00
Expended:	
Arthur P. Dalton, Tax Collector .....	\$488 39
W. A. Barry, Auditor .....	25 00
Robert M. Donnelly, Sup't. of Streets ...	294 00

A. S. Coleman, Town Clerk .....	125 00	
Harold C. Barrows, Constable .....	25 00	
Moses U. Gaskill, Town Treasurer .....	250 00	
Harold Metcalf, Chairman of Selectmen and Welfare member .....	156 00	
William R. Bowen, Welfare Chairman and Selectman .....	170 00	
Roy A. Barrows, Selectman and Wel- fare member .....	81 00	
Carl M. Taft, Assessor .....	100 00	
Edward Whiting, Assessor .....	100 00	
Charles F. Leonard, Clerk of Assessors	249 96	
	<hr/>	\$2,064 35
Unexpended .....		435 65
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		\$2,500 00

## RESERVE FUND.

Appropriation .....		\$1,000 00
Expended:		
Transferred to Fire Department .....	\$251 00	
Transferred to Police Department .....	57 00	
Transferred to Snow Removal .....	123 73	
Transferred to Chapter 81 .....	01	
Transferred to Incidental Acc't. ....	205 68	
	<hr/>	\$637 42
Unexpended .....		362 58
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		\$1,000 00

## INSURANCE ON TOWN BUILDINGS.

Appropriation .....		\$727 00
Expended, Donald B. Lowell .....	\$725 76	
Unexpended .....	1 24	
	<hr/>	\$727 00

## PARK DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation .....		\$100 00
Expended:		
Labor .....	\$91 25	
Unexpended .....	8 75	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

## AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

No Expenditures

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation .....		\$85 00
Expended:		
Milford Victory band .....	\$45 00	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	8 80	
Nina M. Burr, supplies .....	2 25	
Gen. Wm. F. Draper Camp, S. of U. V., flags .....	5 00	
Harold J. Parkinson, wreath .....	5 00	
Clayton Parkinson, wreath .....	5 00	
J. Frank Leonard, wreath .....	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$76 05
Unexpended .....		8 95
		<hr/>
		\$85 00

## BONDS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation .....		\$112 00
Expended:		
Frank E. Wood .....	\$5 00	
Karl A. Bright .....	106 00	
	<hr/>	\$111 00
Unexpended .....		1 00
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		\$112 00

## SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation .....		\$400 00
Expended:		
One family in own home .....	\$260 00	
One family in own home .....	55 00	
	<hr/>	\$315 00
Unexpended .....		85 00
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		\$400 00

## WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

Appropriation .....		\$1,571 37
Expended		
Care and maintenance .....	\$835 40	
Interest on bonds .....	185 97	
Construction .....	550 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,571 37

## STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriation .....		\$627 00
Expended		
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co. ....	\$627 00	
	<hr/>	\$627 00

## SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES.

Appropriation .....		\$20 00
Expended		
Paid Swandale Cemetery Ass'n. ....	\$20 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 00

## MOTOR VEHICLE TAX REFUND.

Expended, 1942 .....	\$60 04
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## REAL ESTATE TAX REFUND.

Expended, 1942 .....	\$9 60
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## PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX REFUND.

Expended, 1942 .....	\$9 41
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## MOTH SUPPRESSION.

Appropriation .....		\$200 00
Expended:		
Payrolls .....	\$127 49	
James Huggins & Sons, creosote .....	16 58	
Seaver's Express .....	1 58	
	<hr/>	\$145 65
Unexpended .....		54 35
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		\$200 00

Respectfully Submitted,  
 WILLARD N. SEIBERT,  
 Moth Superintendent.

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## LIST OF JURORS.

Robert Bartlett	Millville Street	Truck Driver
John J. Driscoll	Providence Street	Machinist
William R. Bowen	Bates Street	Poultryman
Gordon R. Good	North Avenue	Machinist
Ernest E. Souls	Bates Street	Pattern Maker
Harold Metcalf	Maple Street	Clerk
Henry Twitchell	Elm Street	Machinist
Austin B. Taft	Maple Street	Farmer
Ellis L. Cook	Bellingham Street	Poultryman
George G. Davenport	North Avenue	Dairyman
Robert Chase	Main Street	Collector
Roy A. Barrows	Blackstone Street	Dairyman
William F. Irons, Jr.	Main Street	Musician
Walter Taylor	Blackstone Street	Factory Worker
Carl M. Taft	Main Street	Farmer

## ASSETS.

## Uncollected Taxes:

1941 Property Taxes .....	\$223 31	
1942 Excise Taxes .....	25 65	
1942 Property Taxes .....	6,654 88	
	<hr/>	\$6,903 84

Due from the State of Massachusetts  
on Highways:

Chapter 81 .....	\$457 17	
Chapter 90 M .....	479 28	
	<hr/>	\$936 45

Due from the County of Worcester, on  
Highways:

Chapter 90 M .....	\$479 28	
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## Welfare:

## Due from State of Massachusetts,

Temporary Aid .....	\$1,140 34	
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## Old Age Assistance:

Due from the State of Massachusetts	\$2,625 90	
Cash in hands of Treasurer, Jan. 1, '43	10,054 11	
Tax Titles, 14 .....	1,355 92	
Total Assets .....	<hr/>	\$23,495 84

## LIABILITIES.

Due County of Worcester for Construction and Equipment of Worcester County Hospital .....	2,300 00	
Kennedy, Spencer & Co., Bonds on School House Addition .....	22,000 00	
Home National Bank (Notes on anticipation of revenue) .....	8,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$32,500 00

## SUMMARY.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Incidentals	\$3,000.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	205.68			
Salaries of Town Officers	\$3,205.68	\$3,205.68		
Reserve Fund	2,500.00	2,064.35	\$435.65	
Worcester County Hospital	1,000.00	637.42	362.58	
Moth Suppression	1,571.37	1,571.37		
Blackstone Street Drainage	200.00	145.65	54.35	
Bonds of Town Officers	2,000.00	1,998.05	1.95	
Soldiers' Relief	112.00	111.00	1.00	
Board of Health	400.00	315.00	85.00	
	300.00	240.36	59.64	
Police Department	\$700.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	57.00			
Interest on Loans	\$757.00	756.83	.17	
Memorial Day	100.00	98.83	1.17	
Park Department	85.00	76.05	8.95	
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	100.00	91.25	8.75	
Street Lights	20.00	20.00		
Board of Public Welfare	627.00	627.00		
	6,500.00	5,688.30	811.70	



## SUMMARY—Continued.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Aid to Dependent Children Received from U. S. Grant	2,400.00 558.50 — \$2,958.50	1,800.00	1,158.50	
Bureau of Old Age Assistance Received from U. S. Grant	10,800.00 8,414.67 — \$19,214.67	18,229.20	985.47	
Administration Account for Old Age Assistance Balance on hand	18.70			
Received from Federal Grant	280.44 — \$299.14 1,000.00	240.00 990.88	59.14 9.12	
General Repairs				
Chapter 81				
Transferred from Reserve Fund	.01			
Town Appropriation	3,600.00			
Received from State	5,400.00 — \$9,000.01	9,000.01		
Chapter 90 Maintenance				
Town Appropriation	1,000.00			

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Received from State	1,000.00			
Received from County	1,000.00			
	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	2,667.25	332.75	
Snow Removal	1,000.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	123.73			
	<u>\$1,123.73</u>	1,123.73		
Road Machinery Account				
Tree Warden	284.56	283.58	.98	
Taft Public Library	100.00	48.00	52.00	
	575.00	504.05	70.95	
Forest Fires	500.00	489.60	10.40	
Fire Department	700.00			
Transferred from Reserve Fund	251.00			
	<u>\$951.00</u>	948.78	2.22	
Insurance on Town Buildings				
Thayer Cemetery Fund	727.00	725.76	1.24	
	8.16		8.16	

## SUMMARY—Continued.

Department	Resources	Expended	Unexpended	Overdraft
Schools	19,621.00			
Dog License Refund	444.01			
	—\$20,065.01	19,600.82	464.19	
Fire Truck Appropriation	1,450.00	1,450.00		
	—\$80,734.83	\$75,748.80	\$4,986.03	

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD METCALF,

ROY A. BARROWS,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Selectmen of Mendon.

January 1, 1943.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

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TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

GENTLEMEN:

### GENERAL REPAIRS.

Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00
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### EXPENDITURES.

#### PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$341 25	
Equipment .....	140 00	
		\$481 25

### MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

Barrett Co., tarvia .....	\$77 17
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	44 63
Dyar Sales Co., tools .....	109 50
Privilege Wrecking Co., steel .....	12 90
Western Auto, battery .....	1 72
E. T. Powers, pipe .....	22 41
E. L. Dauphinais, trailer rental .....	40 00
Curtiss Coal Co., lumber .....	50 37
Fiske Lumber Co., lumber .....	16 63
Bradbury-Locke, cement .....	48 60
C. C. Shattuck, axes .....	18 65
Clark- Shaughnessy, oil .....	7 50
H. A. Daniels, premium .....	7 11
F. A. Gould, hook .....	3 00
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone, concrete .....	30 60

Mrs. Delia Henry, gravel .....	16 24	
Corbett Pipe Co., pipe .....	2 60	
	<hr/>	\$509 63
Total Expenditures .....		\$990 88
Unexpended Balance .....		9 12

## CHAPTER 81.

Town Appropriation .....	\$3,600 00	
State Allotment .....	5,400 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,000 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$3,127 00	
Equipment .....	4,165 25	
	<hr/>	\$7,292 25

## GRAVEL AND STONE.

M. U. Gaskill .....	\$126 00	
Mrs. Delia Henry .....	105 70	
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone .....	370 10	
	<hr/>	\$601 80

## SURFACING MATERIALS.

Barrett Co. ....	\$718 77
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

State Prison Colony, frame and grate	\$28 08	
Corbett Pipe Co., pipe .....	209 80	
C. C. Shattuck, paint .....	20 79	
Curtiss Coal Co., lumber .....	17 45	
F. A. Gould, tools .....	4 05	
Bradbury-Locke, cement .....	4 00	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	1 42	
H. A. Daniels, premium .....	101 60	
	<hr/>	\$387 19

Total Expenditures .....	\$9,000 01	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....		01

## CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE.

Town's Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
County Allotment .....	1,000 00	
State Allotment .....	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 00

## EXPENDITURES.

## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$1,096 75	
Equipment .....	920 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,016 75

## MATERIALS.

Barrett Co., tarvia .....	\$447 82	
J. Rosenfeld, sand and stone .....	75 75	
Corbett Pipe Co., pipe .....	54 40	
H. A. Daniels, insurance .....	54 42	
Bradbury-Locke, lumber .....	18 11	
	<hr/>	\$650 50
Total Expenditures .....	\$2,667 25	
Unexpended Balance .....	332 75	

## SNOW REMOVAL.

Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	123 73	
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## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$424 25	
Equipment .....	536 50	
	<hr/>	\$960 75

## SUPPLIES.

Eddie's Service Station, gas .....	\$10 72	
Dyar Sales, supplies .....	36 12	
J. Rosenfeld, sand .....	47 95	
Clark-Shaughnessy, oil .....	18 60	
Deke's Station .....	9 08	
Worcester Chemical Co., calcium .....	35 00	
Western Auto, parts .....	5 51	
	<hr/>	\$162 98
Total Expended .....		1,123 73

## ROAD MACHINERY.

Appropriation .....	\$284 56
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## EXPENDITURES.

Fisk-Alden Co., parts .....	\$37 17	
L. N. Jaques, supplies .....	17 65	
Clark-Shaughnessey, oil .....	19 20	
Deke's Station, gas and oil .....	84 29	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies .....	67 70	
G. Poirier, plugs .....	3 65	
Eddie's Station, oil .....	9 05	
Hayne's Welding, welding .....	75	
Milford Products, tire for tractor .....	8 65	
M. M. Goodnow, pipe .....	3 21	
Files & O'Keefe, burner .....	32 26	
	<hr/>	\$283 58
Unexpended balance .....		98

## BLACKSTONE STREET DRAINAGE.

Appropriation .....	\$2,000 00
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## PAY ROLLS.

Labor .....	\$554 25	
Equipment .....	615 50	
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## MATERIALS.

Corbett Pipe Co., pipe .....	\$815 40	
Curtiss Coal Co., cement .....	12 90	
	<hr/>	\$828 30
Total Expended .....		\$1,998 05
Unexpended Balance .....		1 95

## SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES OF ALL HIGHWAY WORK IN 1942.

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 Maintenance	General Repairs	Snow Removal	Blackstone St. Drainage	TOTALS
Robert M. Donnelly	\$518.00	\$84.00	\$87.50	\$91.00	\$70.00	\$850.50
William Auty	245.00	96.25		5.00	85.00	431.25
Harold Barrows, Jr.				5.00		5.00
Vernon Barrows				7.50		7.50
Peter Barry	151.25	112.50		66.00		329.75
William Bowen	238.75	108.75	50.00	8.75	16.25	422.50
Lewis Bronson	10.00			15.00		25.00
Robert Brownly	185.00	27.00	68.75	31.25	57.00	369.00
Richard Gaskill				12.50		12.50
William Hutchinson	410.00	158.75	35.00	37.00	75.00	688.75
George Johnson				10.00		10.00
Everett Kempton				6.25		6.25
Guy Kneeland	10.00			15.00		25.00
William Munsell	370.00	123.25	20.00	29.00	45.00	587.25
Roscoe Steere	401.25	173.75	40.00	44.50	60.00	719.50
Elliot Taft				2.50		2.50
Kenneth Taylor	117.50	60.00				177.50
Leo Tetreault	112.75			75.75		188.50
Napolean Thiebault	357.50	152.50	40.00	40.75	65.00	655.75
Curtis Woodfall				2.50		2.50
TOTALS	\$3,127.00	\$1,096.75	\$341.25	\$424.25	\$554.25	\$5,543.50

# SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES—(Continued).

## RENTED EQUIPMENT—TRUCKS.

Name	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 Maintenance	General Repairs	Snow Removal	Blackstone St. Drainage	TOTALS
D. Kinsley Barnes	\$514.75	\$53.00		\$39.00		\$606.75
Edward Goss	404.25	71.00		6.00		481.25
Harold Metcalf	686.00	107.00	30.00	49.50	61.50	934.00
Aldo Sabatinelli	8.50			114.00	4.25	126.75
Carl Taft	660.25	339.00	24.00	177.00	24.00	1,224.25
Leo Tetreault	692.50	166.00	86.00	196.00	73.50	1,214.00
	\$2,966.25	\$736.00	\$140.00	\$536.50	\$208.25	\$4,587.00

## POWER SHOVEL.

Rosenfeld						
Sand & Stone Co.	\$878.00				\$407.25	\$1,285.25
Leo Newton	266.00	114.00				380.00

## TOWN EQUIPMENT.

Power Grader	55.00	70.00				125.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	4,165.25	920.00	\$140.00	\$536.50	\$615.50	\$6,377.25
TOTAL PAYROLLS	\$7,292.25	\$2,016.75	\$481.25	\$960.75	\$1,169.75	\$11,920.75

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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Appropriation .....		\$300 00
Expended:		
Worcester County Sanatorium, care of one patient .....	\$52 50	
Milford, Hopedale, Mendon District Nursing Association .....	50 00	
Alec Wolec, town dump .....	50 00	
Roy A. Barrows, placarding and fumi- gating .....	20 00	
Department of Public Health, ½ Miscoe Spring Water Co., license .....	10 00	
K. A. Campbell, services .....	30 00	
E. R. Squibb & Sons, supplies .....	2 15	
City of Worcester, care of one patient .....	25 71	
		\$240 36
Unexpended .....		59 64
		\$300 00

Respectfully submitted,

ROY A. BARROWS, Chairman,  
HAROLD METCALF,  
WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Board of Health.

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

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Appropriation .....		\$100 00
EXPENDED.		
Payrolls .....	\$36 00	
William E. Nuttall, salary .....	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$48 00
Unexpended .....		52 00
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		\$100 00

Respectfully submitted,  
 WILLIAM E. NUTTALL,  
 Tree Warden.

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## REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WEIGHER.

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I have had 22 weighings at 20 cents each and have turned over to the Town Treasurer the sum of \$4.40.

Respectfully submitted,  
 FELIX S. BESSETTE,  
 Public Weigher.

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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Appropriation .....	\$700 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	57 00	
	<hr/>	\$757 00
Expended:		
Meals for prisoners .....	\$5 50	
Court fees .....	42 00	
Toll calls .....	44 36	
V. H. Blackington & Co., supplies .....	39 42	
Dep't. of Public Safety, supplies .....	30	
Police duty, Mendon Airport .....	163 75	
Police duty, May 30 .....	24 00	
Police duty, July 3 and 4 .....	58 50	
Police duty, October 31 .....	36 50	
Investigating accidents .....	154 00	
Investigating complaints .....	131 50	
Police duty on highways .....	57 00	
	<hr/>	\$756 83
Unexpended .....		17
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		\$757 00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BARROWS,

Chief Police Dep't.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

1942.

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet of Aggregates is given below:

## RECAPITULATION SHEET.

## Town appropriations:

Annual Town Meeting, March,		
1942 .....	\$62,240 58	
Debt and Interest .....	2,354 09	
State Tax, 1942 .....	3,600 00	
State Parks and Reservation Tax	51 25	
County Tax .....	2,074 51	
State Audit of Mendon Accounts	383 06	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	1,571 37	
Overlay for 1942 .....	1,361 69	
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	\$73,636 55	\$73,636 55
Estimated Receipts .....	\$26,302 04	
Available Funds .....	1,654 22	
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	\$27,956 26	\$27,956 26
Net amount raised on polls and		
Property .....		\$45,680 29
472 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 each .....		944 00
Total Valuation .....		1,398,009 00
Tax Rate .....	\$32 00	
Personal Property .....		129,079 00
Real Estate .....		1,268,930 00
Number of Assessments on Real		
Estate .....	533	



Number of Assessments on Personal Estate .....			107	
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			640	640
Number of male polls assessed .....			472	
Value of assessed stock-in-trade ....			\$38,350 00	
Value of assessed live stock .....			46,529 00	
Value of assessed machinery .....			34,750 00	
Value of all other assessed personal estate .....			9,450 00	
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Value of assessed personal property .....			\$129,079 00	\$129,079 00
Value of assessed buildings, excluding land .....			936,680 00	
Value of assessed land, excluding buildings .....			332,250 00	
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Total value of assessed real estate			\$1,268,930 00	\$1,268,930 00
Total value of assessed property ....				\$1,398,009 00
Tax on personal estate .....			\$4,130 53	
Tax on real estate .....			40,605 76	
Tax on polls .....			944 00	
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Total poll and property taxes .....			\$45,680 29	\$45,680 29
Rate of tax per \$1,000 .....				\$32 00
Number of horses assessed .....				48
Number of cows assessed .....				597
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed .....				82
Number of swine assessed .....				12
Number of dwelling houses assessed				441
Number of acres of land assessed				10,764
Number of fowl assessed .....				5,030

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED  
TO COLLECTOR IN 1942.

Vehicles registered in 1941 .....	\$44 28	
Vehicles registered in 1942 .....	3,298 78	
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	\$3,343 06	\$3,343 06

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED  
1942.

1941 Taxes .....	\$4 00	
1942 Taxes .....	127 38	
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	\$131 38	\$131 38

OVERLAY ACCOUNT

OVERLAY ACCOUNT, 1941.

Balance in 1941 Overlay Account	\$84 08	
1941 Abatements in 1942 .....	31 55	
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	\$52 53	\$52 53

OVERLAY ACCOUNT, 1942.

1942 Overlay .....	\$1,361 69	
1942 Abatements .....	1,111 51	
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1942 Overlay Balance .....	\$250 18	\$250 18

Respectfully submitted,  
CARL M. TAFT,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
CHARLES F. LEONARD,  
Mendon Board of Assessors

REPORT OF SEALER OF  
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES  
FOR 1942.

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Platform scale over 5000 lbs. (free) .....	1	
Platform scale under 5000 lbs. ....	2	\$1 00
Spring scales under 100 lbs. ....	2	20
Computing scales under 100 lbs. ....	1	10
Counter scales under 100 lbs. ....	1	10
Gas pumps, meter system .....	6	3 00
Gas pump, hand pump .....	1	50
Kerosene, hand pump .....	1	50
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	15	\$5 40

I have inspected the following licenses:

Peddlers .....	3
Fruit and Vegetables .....	2
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	5

I have collected \$5.40 for fees and have turned same over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER TAYLOR, Sealer.

Mendon, Mass., January 1st, 1943.

# REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN.

## FOREST FIRES.

Appropriation .....		\$500 00
Expended:		
Payrolls .....	\$238 70	
Harold F. Lowell, salary .....	25 00	
Seaver's Express .....	1 25	
E. C. Brown Co., supplies .....	34 65	
Farrar Co., supplies .....	190 00	
		\$489 60
Unexpended .....		10 40
		\$500 00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Forest Warden.

## REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

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Appropriation .....	\$700 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	251 00
	\$951 00

### Expended:

Payrolls .....	\$244 50	
Wor. Sub. Elec. Co., power .....	54 54	
Carrie Marlow, test blowing .....	36 50	
George A. Johnson, janitor service .....	16 20	
Harold F. Lowell, salary .....	75 00	
Burnham Laboratories .....	3 11	
Harold F. Lowell, toll calls and express .....	2 16	
Ryan Motor Sales, supplies .....	1 35	
Baltimore Specialty Co., supplies .....	10 80	
Niro & Niro Co., supplies .....	6 00	
C. B. Hardy, supplies .....	70 00	
Bowker Hamblin, Inc., chains .....	8 60	
Clark & Shaughnessy, coal and oil .....	85 98	
Farrar Co., supplies .....	289 85	
Eddie's Service Station, gas and oil ....	16 58	
W. E. Aubachon Co., Inc., supplies .....	6 71	
L. N. Jaques & Sons, supplies .....	4 30	
Edith Rogers, gas and oil .....	16 60	
	\$948 78	
Unexpended .....		2 22
		\$951 00

## FIRE TRUCK, SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation .....	\$1,450 00
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## Expended:

Farrar Co., truck .....	\$1,450 00
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	\$1,450 00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL, Chief,  
NORRY J. DAIGE,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
Fire Engineers.

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1942.

## 1940 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1942 .....	\$1,200 64	
Interest .....	58 69	
Tax taking costs .....	3 85	
		<hr/>
		\$1,263 18

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$1,253 03	
Abated .....	4 35	
Tax takings .....	5 80	
		<hr/>
		\$1,263 18

## 1941 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1942 .....	\$53 27	
Interest .....	40	
		<hr/>
		\$53 67

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$49 67	
Abated .....	4 00	
		<hr/>
		\$53 67



## 1941 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

Committed Jan. 26, 1942 .....	\$44 28	
Interest .....	09	
	<hr/>	\$44 37

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$44 37	
	<hr/>	\$44 37

## 1941 PROPERTY TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes outstanding Jan. 1, 1942 .....	\$6,575 67	
Interest .....	207 94	
Overpaid Treasurer .....	3 30	
	<hr/>	\$6,786 91

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$6,526 25	
Abated .....	31 55	
Subsequent tax title credit .....	5 80	
Uncollected .....	223 31	
	<hr/>	\$6,786 91

## 1942 POLL TAXES.

## DR.

Taxes committed, including omitted assessments of Nov. 5, 1942 and Dec. 10, 1942 .....	\$958 00	
Demands .....	10 85	
Interest .....	01	
	<hr/>	\$968 86

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	....	\$828 86	
Abated .....		140 00	
Uncollected .....		00 00	
		<hr/>	\$968 86

## 1942 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES.

## DR.

First commitment April 4, 1942 .....	\$1,841 25	
Interest .....	1 34	
	<hr/>	\$1,842 59

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$1,816 33	
Abated .....	26 26	
Uncollected .....	00 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,842 59

## DR.

Second commitment June 24, 1942 .....	\$1,256 06	
Interest .....	1 01	
	<hr/>	\$1,257 07

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$1,225 99	
Abated .....	31 08	
Uncollected .....	00 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,257 07

## DR.

Third commitment Sept. 21, 1942 .....	\$72 57	
Interest .....	07	
	<hr/>	\$72 64

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$66 64	
Abated .....	6 00	
Uncollected .....	00 00	
	<hr/>	\$72 64

## DR.

Fourth commitment Nov. 5, 1942 .....	\$85 44	
	<hr/>	\$85 44

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$81 44	
Uncollected .....	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$85 44

## DR.

Fifth commitment Dec. 3, 1942 .....	\$22 66	
	<hr/>	\$22 66

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$13 01	
Uncollected .....	9 65	
	<hr/>	\$22 66

## DR.

Sixth commitment Dec. 10, 1942 .....	\$20 86	
	<hr/>	\$20 86

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$8 86	
Uncollected .....	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 86

## DR.

Total Personal and Real Estate Taxes	
committed .....	\$44,838 69
Interest .....	14 00
	<hr/> \$44,852 69

## CR.

Paid Treasurer .....	\$36,926 11
Abated .....	1,092 50
Subsequent tax title credit .....	179 20
Uncollected .....	6,654 88
	<hr/> \$44,852 69

Total tax refunds for 1942 .....	\$79 05
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Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. DALTON,

Collector of Taxes.

January 1, 1943.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

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### TEMPORARY AID.

#### RESOURCES.

Town Appropriation .....		\$6,500 00
Expended .....	5,688 30	
Unexpended .....	811 70	
	<hr/>	\$6,500 00

### DETAILED EXPENDITURES.

#### MENDON SETTLED CASES.

One person in own home .....	\$99 00	
One person in own home .....	146 29	
One family in own home .....	412 26	
	<hr/>	\$657 55

#### PAID OTHER TOWNS FOR MENDON SETTLED CASES.

Town of Milford .....	\$247 65	
Town of Milford .....	605 63	
Town of Bellingham .....	1,293 85	
	<hr/>	\$2,147 13

### WIFE AND CHILDREN SETTLED IN MENDON,

#### HUSBAND STATE CASE.

One family in own home .....	\$38 00	
	<hr/>	\$38 00

## CASES RESIDING IN MENDON SETTLED IN OTHER TOWNS.

Milford case .....	\$235 00	
	<hr/>	\$235 00

CASES WITH NO SETTLEMENT, CHARGEABLE  
TO THE STATE.

One family in own home .....	\$8 00	
One family in own home .....	518 00	
One family in own home .....	168 00	
One family in own home .....	673 92	
One family in own home .....	800 00	
One person in own home .....	170 35	
One person in own home .....	112 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,450 27

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Mendon's share of cost of operating Surplus Commodities Warehouse in Milford .....	\$51 62	
Helpers for commodities truck .....	39 25	
Supplies, postage and telephone calls ....	20 60	
Boston Council of Social Agency, social index .....	11 00	
	<hr/>	\$122 47

## PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF ABOVE EXPENSE.

State of Massachusetts .....	\$2,450 27	
Other towns .....	235 00	
Mendon's share .....	3,003 03	
	<hr/>	\$5,688 30

## SURPLUS COMMODITIES.

## SURPLUS COMMODITIES WAREHOUSE.

Goods delivered in the Town of Mendon  
for the year of 1942 valued as fol-  
lows:

Food .....	\$2,078 14	
Clothing .....	643 20	
	<hr/>	\$2,721 34

Respectfully submitted,  
 WILLIAM R. BOWEN, Chairman,  
 ROY A. BARROWS,  
 HAROLD METCALF,  
 Board of Public Welfare,

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## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

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### RESOURCES.

Town Appropriation .....	\$2,400 00	
Received from Federal Government .....	558 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,958 50

Expended .....	\$1,800 00	
Unexpended .....	1,158 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,958 50

### ADMINISTRATION.

Unexpended Jan. 1, 1942 .....	\$5 64	
Received from Federal Government, '42 .....	00	
	<hr/>	\$5 64
Expended .....	00	
Unexpended .....		\$5 64

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROY A. BARROWS,  
 Agent.



## REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

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### Resources:

Appropriation by the Town .....	\$10,800 00
Received from Federal Government ....	8,414 67
	<hr/> \$19,214 67

### Expenditures:

Direct aid to 49 cases .....	\$18,229 20
Unexpended .....	985 47

### TOTAL PERSONS AIDED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

Mendon settlement .....	43
State cases .....	5
Out of town .....	1
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Total .....	49
This year we received 14 months' reimbursement from the State which brought their account up to June 30, 1942 amounting to .....	
	\$6,305 94
Amount due the Town from the State from July 1, to Dec. 31, 1942 .....	2,625 90

There is no other money due the Town on Old Age Assistance.

### Administration:

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1942 .....	\$18 70
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Received from Federal Government ....	280 44	
Total resources .....	<u>          </u>	\$299 14

Expended:

Salaries .....	\$120 00	
Supplies, postage and transportation ....	120 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$240 00
Balance unexpended .....		59 14

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROY A. BARROWS,  
 Agent.

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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This year the Library has received several gifts of books and money.

Under the will of Anna F. Ellis, late of Milford, The Taft Public Library of Mendon, received all her library books and book cases as a memorial to her mother, also \$500, the net income to be used to acquire new books for the Library.

Miss Dora Taft of Westborough also presented the library with 120 volumes for which we are grateful. They have been received and are now in use.

Under the will of Nellie W. Alderman, The Taft Public Library received \$100.00. This may be used as seen fit by the Trustees.

A map was received from Wendell Williams. It is the original map of the town of Mendon as drawn by Dr. Metcalf.

The Library collected 150 books and forwarded them to the U. S. O. headquarters.

The Library has been rearranged with new book cases, and the book cases from the Ellis' bequest added. This gives us more room for books which was badly needed.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD LOWELL, Chairman,

JEROME FOGWELL,

HAROLD METCALF,

LENA W. GEORGE,

EDWARD T. WHITING, Secretary,

Library Trustees.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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Appropriation .....	\$575 00
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Expenditures:

Barney Coal Co., fuel .....	\$32 50	
Worcester Sub. Electric Co., lights .....	7 50	
Verena R. Daley, Librarian .....	225 00	
The New England News Co., books .....	15 08	
Raymond Barrows, painting sash .....	20 60	
Edward Whiting. sash and glass .....	2 30	
Alanson Freeman, mowing .....	7 50	
Uxbridge Printing Co., printing .....	3 50	
Nina M. Burr, magazines .....	40 50	
The H. W. Wilson Co., books .....	7 75	
Raymond Daley, new book cases .....	45 00	
American Library Association, dues .....	3 00	
Nancy Dudley, janitor .....	52 00	
The Personal Book Shop, books .....	39 82	
Carl Taft, trucking book cases .....	2 00	
		\$504 05
Balance .....		70 95

FLETCHER FUND.

The New England News Co. ....	\$53 65
The Personal Book Shop, Inc. ....	63 63

Nipmuc Ice Co. ....	7 00	
Worcester Sub. Electric Co. ....	2 52	
Library Book Co. ....	14 21	
The Personal Book Shop, Inc. ....	5 63	
H. W. Wilson Co. ....	7 55	
Expended .....		\$154 19
Fletcher Fund .....		\$5,474 56
Expended .....		154 19
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Balance .....		\$5,320 37

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD T. WHITING,  
Finance Committee.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF MENDON:

Pursuant to Chapter 41, Section 50, of the General Laws, I have examined and checked the accounts of the various Town Officers receiving and disbursing municipal funds for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1942 and find their accounts correctly cast with vouchers carefully filed.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. A. BARRY,  
Auditor.

Mendon, January 26, 1943.





# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

## TOWN OF MENDON

## MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1942

# SCHOOL DIRECTORY, 1942—1943.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Donald B. Lowell, Chairman .....	Term Expires 1944
Silas Dudley, Secretary .....	Term Expires 1945
Ernest E. Souls .....	Term Expires 1943

Regular meetings held at the Center School building on the first Monday of each month at 7.30 P. M.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—JEROME P. FOGWELL, B. S.

The Superintendent may be met every Wednesday morning between 9 and 12 at the Mendon Centre High School or by appointment.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center

Office Hours—4 to 5 o'clock P. M. on school days.

Telephone, Office—Milford 152-4

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## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

K. A. Campbell, M. D. .... Telephone, Milford, 102

## SCHOOL NURSE.

Helen C. Grady, R. N., Supervisor ..... Milford District Nursing Association

## JANITOR.

Raymond Barrows ..... Center School

## TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

Harold C. Barrows  
Kenneth Taft

## ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Harold C. Barrows

# TEACHERS.

Name.	Subject or Grade.	Preparation.	Degrees or Yrs.	Yrs. Ser. in Town
Henry P. Clough, Principal	Math., Science, French	Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University	B.S.	Fifteenth
Frances A. White	Commercial, History	Salem State Tea. Col.	B.S.	Fifth
Nellie Walent	English, Latin	Keene Tea. Col., Boston Uni.	3 yrs. Dip.	
Anne Sullivan	Domestic Science, General Science, Biology, Civics	Framingham State Tea. Col.	B.S.	Third
Elizabeth DeWitt	History, Geography, Physiology, Arithmetic	Worcester State Tea. Col.	B.S.	First
Mary Shaughnessey	Grades 5 and 6	Lowell State Tea. Col.	B.S.	Second
Jennie Chesarone	Grades 4 and 5	Framingham State Tea. Col.	B.S.	First
Grace Gaskell	Grades 2 and 3	Framingham State Tea. Col.	Two	Fourth
Jean F. MacDonald	Grades 1 and 2	Perry Kindergarten N. S.	3 yrs. Dip.	First
David N. Gellatly	Music Supervisor	Boston Conservatory of Music—Private Lessons	Grad.	Seventh

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM  
JANUARY, 1943 TO JUNE, 1944.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Open January 4, 1943, Close April 16, 1943

Open April 26, 1943, Close June 18, 1943

Summer Vacation

Open September 7, 1943, Close December 24, 1943

Open January 3, 1944, Close April 14, 1944

Open April 24, 1944, Close June 16, 1944

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Close February 19, 1943

Open March 1, 1943

Otherwise, same as High School

Close June 4, 1943

Close June 2, 1944

Summer Vacation

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

October 12, Columbus Day

November 11, Armistice Day

November 25, Thanksgiving Day and Friday following.

February 22, Washington's Birthday

All legal holidays

## AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL.

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September of any school year.

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 REPORT OF SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS.

OCTOBER, 1942.

Number of pupils examined .....	300
Number of pupils found defective in eyesight .....	29
Number of pupils found defective in hearing .....	2
Number of parents or guardians notified .....	31

## SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT.

### RECEIPTS.

General Appropriation .....	\$19,621 00	
Dog Tax, 1942 .....	444 01	
Total Receipts .....		\$20,065 01
Total Expenditures .....	\$19,600 82	
Balance .....		\$464 19

### REIMBURSEMENTS.

General School Fund, Part I .....	\$1,725 00	
General School Fund, Part II .....	2,540 01	
Superintendent's Salary .....	656 15	
Tuition from State .....	277 55	
Tuition from Industrial School .....	19 20	
High School Grant .....	928 57	
Total Reimbursements .....		\$6,146 48

### TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS.

Total Expenditures .....	\$19,600 82	
Reimbursements .....	6,146 48	
Net Cost by Taxation .....		\$13,454 34

### EXPENDITURES.

School Committee Expenses .....	\$25 00	
Superintendent's Salary .....	943 42	
Superintendent's Expenses .....	154 85	
Salaries of Teachers .....	10,027 59	
Salary of Music Supervisor .....	341 25	
Textbooks .....	370 50	
Libraries .....	95 12	

School Supplies .....	390 52	
Maintenance Repairs .....	332 38	
Miscellaneous Operation .....	624 30	
Janitor's Wage .....	1,253 86	
Fuel .....	699 32	
New Equipment .....	17 00	
Health .....	325 00	
Tuition .....	91 09	
Transportation .....	3,845 30	
Total Expenditures .....	—————	\$19,600 82



## REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MENDON:

The past year has shown a slight increase in school membership, which, due to the present conditions, is surprising as most Towns have been having a lower attendance due to so many young people leaving school to work in factories.

During the past season the committee renewed the bus contracts for one year only. This was done, as we felt, in fairness to both the Town and the drivers as changing prices and government requests that the bus mileage and stops be cut to the minimum. Further curtailment may have to be made in the near future as the government now wishes us to transport only pupils who live two miles and more from the school, with no stops inside the two mile limit. Due to lack of side walks we are holding off against this as long as possible.

The committee is now contemplating using the tennis court to store coal to insure having enough for the coming winter. This may also, if done, save some money on the price per ton as the coal would be delivered in the summer when the trucks are not so busy.

The School Committee appreciates the support the Townspeople have given it and look forward to receiving the same in the future.

The Committee has practically abandoned the no-school signal. It will only be used in case of an emergency, as much confusion has been caused from its use.

We ask you to carefully scan the reports of the different school branches to ascertain what has been done in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. LOWELL,

Chairman, School Committee.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MENDON:

GENTLEMEN:

I hereby submit my second war-time report as Superintendent of Schools and the reports of the Principal of the High School, the Supervisor of Music, and the School Nurse.

The World War has effected the schools in many ways and as the months go on the school and home life of the pupils in the schools, particularly those in the upper grades and High School, will be changed to a considerable degree. Perhaps one-half or even all of the school hours will be given over to study in preparation for war or in actual production of material needed by our air men, soldiers, and sailors, in their brave defense of the living principles of our democracy. There are multiple things that boys and girls can do to aid in the attainment of ultimate Victory. It is a question of "to be or not to be."

The necessary precautions have been taken by school authorities for the protection of pupils in the schools in case the war comes to Mendon in violent form.

As in any business the "business of education" has a certain routine that must be carried on and improved each year if possible. All thinking citizens are familiar with school routine. A report covering the methods and courses of school procedure is therefore unnecessary. People want to know about the things that are new. Since conservation is the order of the day I will be brief in enumerating some of these new things.

Mendon children are fortunate this year in that they are being instructed by more experienced teachers than usual during a school year. All teachers except two have at least one year's experience, in actual classroom teaching. Tho this improvement costs a little more it is a valuable asset to all concerned. Better results are obtained educationally and in the morale of the school as a whole.

The building supervision hours assigned to the High school principal last year has worked to the advantage of teachers and pupils.

The text book situation of the schools has been greatly improved. A complete set of English text books has been purchased for the four classes of the High School. History books have also been obtained. Many text books and work books have been placed in the High and Elementary schools. A fine set of encyclopedias has been purchased for the use of grammar or upper grade pupils. Supplementary material, "aids" in the teaching of the social sciences and in vocational guidance has been also procured by the School Committee. More "aids" for the instruction of children in the primary grades are now in use.

The two fundamental studies, English and Mathematics, are being stressed to a greater degree in the classrooms in all grades. Other important courses are not being neglected. Mendon is not a manufacturing community hence the instruction in the schools must be of a cultural nature.

The care and maintenance of the school building and grounds is in charge of a man in whom we can place full confidence. The classrooms, corridors, basement, and school grounds, are always in a clean and wholesome condition.

Mendon pupils attend school consistently and our attendance record in the High and Elementary schools is beyond

criticism and higher than the average town record. There is very little tardiness on the part of pupils.

I have found the boys and girls of Mendon a courteous group and loyal and cooperative in school and war activities.

Mr. A. Russell Mack, Deputy State Supervisor of Education, inspected the schools last Spring and commended the work of both High and Elementary schools. The High school has again been approved in Class B which is the highest certificate given for schools in its class.

I am grateful to Mr. Clough, as Town Director, to his teachers, and certain citizens of the town who assisted the teachers, for their patriotic work in the War Rationing program. The Governor of Massachusetts, and the Commissioner of Education, has also thanked these workers thru the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

The Superintendent of Schools, School Committee, and teachers, have worked together in full accord and harmony during the school year. For which I am duly thankful.

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME P. FOGWELL,

Superintendent of Schools.

## AGE AND GRADE CHART AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1942.

GRADE	AGE																	Totals
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18				
I	2	7	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11			
II	4	14	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21			
	...	...	10	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14			
III	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8			
	...	...	4	7	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14			
IV	...	...	1	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15			
	...	...	...	3	9	6	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	23			
V	...	...	...	2	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12			
	...	...	...	3	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14			
VI	...	...	...	...	2	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18			
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11			
VII	...	...	...	...	...	5	7	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	15			
	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	10	5	6	...	...	...	...	26			
VIII	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12			
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11			
IX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12			
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X	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14			
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11			
XI	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6			
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XII	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7			
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5			
Totals	6	25	23	30	24	33	25	25	32	24	24	24	10	2	307			
Boys	2	7	15	15	13	13	12	19	18	9	17	13	4	0	157			
Girls	4	18	8	15	11	20	13	6	14	15	7	11	6	2	150			

## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

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TO MR. JEROME P. FOGWELL,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit the annual report of the Mendon Center School covering the year from January, 1942.

The school enrollment is essentially the same as last year. Registration figures at the beginning of the fall session showed a slight increase over those of the previous year. At the present time the enrollments by grades are as follows:

Grade 1 .....	thirty-three
Grade 2 .....	thirty-two
Grade 3 .....	twenty-seven
Grade 4 .....	thirty-five
Grade 5 .....	thirty-one
Grade 6 .....	twenty-five
Grade 7 .....	thirty-four
Grade 8 .....	twenty-two
Grade 9 .....	eighteen
Grade 10 .....	fourteen
Grade 11 .....	sixteen
Grade 12 .....	fifteen

Nine pupils were graduated on June 19, 1942; Russell W. Barrus, Rita F. Coe, Norma P. Grassotti, Russell C. Longton, Pauline M. Nason, Clarence E. Parkhurst, Ruth I. Perron, Edith A. Souls, Doris B. Taft. First place in scholarship was won by Pauline M. Nason, and second place by Russell C. Longton. The Alumni Medal was awarded to Edith A. Souls, as the member of the graduating class contributing most to



the growth and development of the Mendon High School. The presentation was made by Mr. Herbert H. Pickard, of the Class of 1929, and vice-president of the Alumni Association.

Prize Speaking was held April 19, 1942. The following students participated: Anna T. Bosma, Lois B. Coleman, Shirley M. Coleman, Philip W. Harding, Carol J. Hook, Donald Oppewal, Raymond Oppewal, Evelyn V. Rondeau, Barbara E. Taft, Henry D. Trowsdale, Victor C. Wandres, First prize was won by Evelyn V. Rondeau, second prize by Anna T. Bosma, and third prize by Barbara E. Taft.

The annual spelling bee took place May 15, 1942 at the Mendon Town Hall. Prizes were won as follows: Grade 4—Gloria Mantoni, first, Jean Beal, second; Grade 5—Gertrude Oppewal, first, Mary Jane Neal, second; Grade 6—Florence Cook, first, Rosalba Allegrezza, second; Grade 7—Frances Fisk, first, Roland Rogers, second; Grade 8—Patricia Gaskell, first, Donald Taft, second; Grades 9 to 12 inclusive—Donald Oppewal, first, Raymond Oppewal, second. Medals donated by the members of the School Committee were awarded.

The Senior Class play entitled, "Little Jimmie Jones" was presented in a pleasing manner on December 11, 1942.

The annual Washington trip taken during the spring vacation by the members of the senior class was one of the most satisfactory trips of recent years. Due to present restrictions, however, it will be necessary to discontinue the Washington trip for the duration of the war.

Other customary school activities are being continued. Special emphasis has been directed toward those projects which apply more particularly to the war effort. The purchase of war savings stamps and bonds is especially urged for all pupils and teachers. The teaching staff with some students and deputy ration board assistance, has issued the various ration

books put into use during the past year. All rationing activities have been carried out with a minimum of interruption of the regular school schedule.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation for hearty cooperation and assistance to the members of the teaching staff, to the Superintendent of Schools, School Committee, and townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Principal.

## SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

### FOR 1942.

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TO MR. JEROME FOGWELL,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit the annual school nurse's report for the year ending December 31, 1942.

One day a week was spent in doing school nursing, usually on a Tuesday when school was in session.

The nurse's time was spent assisting with the various school health activities, visiting the classrooms, periodic inspections of pupils, weighing and measuring pupils at least twice a year and in handling emergencies and problem cases while visiting the school building, as well as home visiting.

In January the third and last Toxoid Clinic, started in December, was held.

In February there was an outbreak of mumps that ran through to April, causing many absentees.

No complications followed and the pupils affected were back in school after the quarantine period.

There were numerous cases of grippe and a few cases of pneumonia, otherwise the school was quite free from disease until October when Scarlet Fever was reported.

We have had four cases among the pupils of the primary grades.

The children were not very sick and there were no complications.

Throughout the Summer months, home visits were made to pupils found to have physical defects, arranging for corrections when possible. There were a large number attended to. During this period the school nurse visited the homes of all children who were to enter school in September for the first time.

Again the correction of existing defects was advised as well as early vaccination.

Numerous interesting facts concerning this group of children was given to the nurse by the parents to be passed on to the first grade teacher.

Doctor Campbell started the physical examination of the school children the first week in September.

The following is a summary of the defects found.

Enlarged Tonsils .....	34
Enlarged Adenoids .....	2
Anemia .....	10
Heart Murmur .....	12
Cavities of Teeth .....	65
Wax in Ears .....	10
Skin Conditions .....	2
Poor Nutrition .....	4
Poor Posture .....	2
Cross Eyes .....	1

Notices of defects found were sent home to parents or guardians.

The Annual Dental Clinic had to be postponed in 1942 due to a shortage of dentists to run the clinic.

The following is a summary of the work done by the nurse in the school building:

Cleanliness Inspections .....	477
Classroom Inspections .....	63
Inspections for Diseases .....	327
Pupils Treated .....	45
Pupils Advised .....	304
Pupils Excluded .....	33
Talks with Teachers .....	140
Health Talks to Classes .....	17
Home Visits .....	182

In closing may I thank Mr. Fogwell, Mr. Clough and the teachers for their cooperation, the School Committee and town officials for their support and the parents and other friends for the help and trust given to me in my work among the school children.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN C. GRADY,

School Nurse and Supervisor.

## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR.

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Mendon, Mass., Dec. 31, 1942.

MR. JEROME FOGWELL,  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—  
MENDON, MASS.

Dear Mr. Fogwell:—

It gives me pleasure to submit my annual report of the teaching of music in the schools of Mendon.

In the primary grades the elements of musical theory have been carefully taught and the reading of notes has been started.

In the upper grades this work has been continued and part singing introduced.

In all of the grades attention has been given to good tone production and the development of a good sense of rhythm.

The third grade Rhythm Band played remarkably well at several school events during the year.

A Boys' Choir has been organized in the grades. They sang in the pageant, "The First Christmas", which was given in December by the grade pupils.

The high school chorus has done splendid work this year. They sang well at the Prize Speaking Contest and at the Graduation program.

I wish to thank you Mr. Fogwell, Mr. Clough, the School Committee, and all of the teachers for the help given to me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID N. GELLATLY,

Supervisor of Music.

MENDON HIGH SCHOOL  
PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST  
MENDON TOWN HALL, APRIL 9, 1942.

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Selections by the Orchestra

The Bride and the Broom ..... *Strayton*  
Anna T. Bosma

Born Rich ..... *Smith*  
Henry D. Trowsdale

Mrs. Jones at the Wheel ..... *Parcher*  
Shirley M. Coleman

The Button ..... *Newman*  
Victor C. Wandres

Selection by the Rhythm Band  
A Toast That We Can Drink ..... *McCune*  
Lois B. Coleman

The Toll of Speed Hysteria ..... *Hutchings*  
Donald Oppewal

June Night ..... *Antwerp*  
Carol J. Hook

Salvage ..... *Sheats*  
Philip W. Harding



- Good Night, Sweet Day ..... *Wilson*  
 High School Chorus
- Trimming Her Husband ..... *Antwerp*  
 Barbara E. Taft
- The Unknown Soldier ..... *Barton*  
 Raymond Oppewal
- At Bedtime ..... *Seeman*  
 Evelyn V. Rondeau
- a.* A Song of Home ..... *Dvorak*  
*b.* Marines' Hymn  
 High School Chorus
- Decision of the Judges

GRADUATION EXERCISES  
OF  
MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1942

UNITARIAN CHURCH

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PROGRAM

Processional—March Romaine ..... *Gounod*

Mr. David M. Gellatly

Invocation

Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain

Salutation and Essay—Government in South America

Russell C. Longton

Essay—South American Geography

Ruth I. Perron

Essay—People of South America

Norma P. Grassotti

Song—To Thee, O Country ..... *Eichberg*

High School Chorus

Essay—Products of South America

Rita F. Coe

Essay—South American History

Clarence E. Parkhurst

Essay—Education in South America  
Doris B. Taft

Song—The Breaking Waves Dashed High ..... *Browne*  
High School Chorus

Essay—Standards of Living in South America  
Edith A. Souls

Essay—Natural Resources of South America  
Russell W. Barrus

Essay and Valedictory—The Pan American Union  
Pauline M. Nason

Song—On the Road to Mandalay ..... *Speaks*  
High School Chorus

Presentation of Alumni Medal  
Mr. Herbert H. Pickard  
Vice-President of Alumni Association

Award and Diploma Presentation  
Mr. Donald B. Lowell  
Chairman of School Committee

Benediction  
Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain

Song—National Anthem

Recessional—Triumphal March ..... *Verdi*  
Mr. David N. Gellatly

# TOWN WARRANT

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Worcester, ss.*

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of  
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday, the first day of March A. D., 1943, punctually at 9 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers: One Town Clerk for one year, One Selectman for three years, One Assessor for three years, One Town Treasurer for one year, a Collector of Taxes for one year, One Auditor for one year, One Constable for one year, One Tree Warden for one year, One Trustee of the Taft Public Library for two years, One Member of the School Committee for three years, One Park Commissioner for three years, One Highway Surveyor for one year, all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.

Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning January 1, 1943.

Article 6. To determine the compensation of the Tax Collector for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1943, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for Memorial Day services and appoint a committee to expend the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the improvement and repairs of highways, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works as provided under Chapter 81 of the General Laws as amended, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$125.00 for the operation and repair of Town machinery, said amount to be taken from the Road Machinery fund, or take any action in regard to the same.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise any sum of money for the care of Soldiers' and Sailors' graves or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors with the Approval of the Commissioner of Corporation and Taxation to use such an amount of the free cash in the Treasury as in their judgment should be used, to reduce the tax levy of 1943.

Article 13. To see what action the Town will take regarding any legal proceedings that may be brought by or against the Town.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Dog License Refund received from Worcester County in 1942 to be used for general school expenses in 1943 or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for Street Lights for the ensuing year.

(This is not a complete Warrant. It contains only such articles as were ready for insertion when the town report went to the printer.)

The polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon and causing a copy to be published once in the Milford Daily News, a newspaper published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

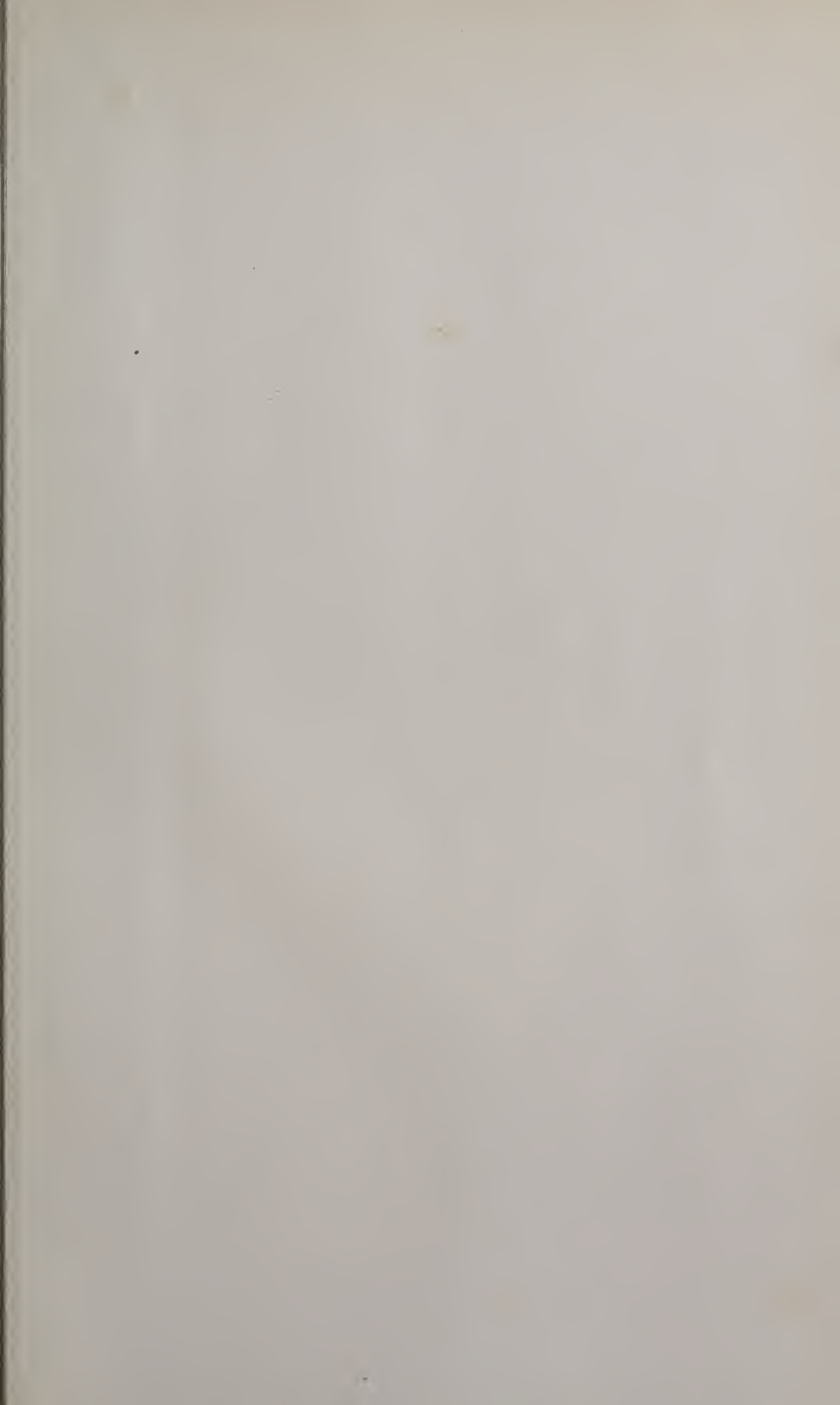
Given under our hands at Mendon this 20th day of February, A. D., 1943.

HAROLD METCALF,  
ROY A. BARROWS,  
WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

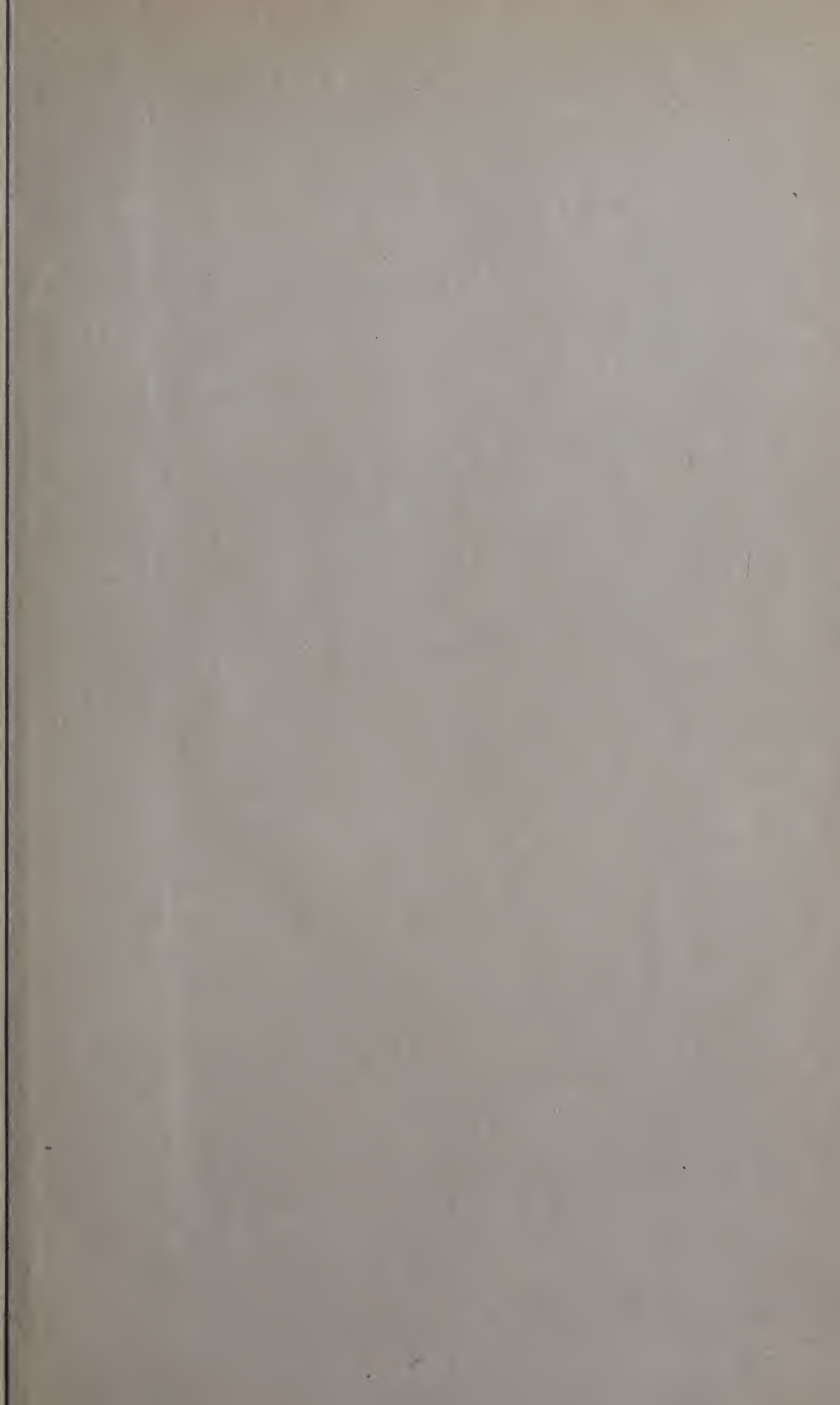
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